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SELECTMEN'S MINUTES.

BOOK SEVENTEENTH.

(*Continued.*)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 3^{d} 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay Andrews Dorr, Tyler, Grant, Walley, Price,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows —Viz^{t}. —

		lbs.	oz.	dr
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	6	11
a 4^{d} ditto. $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4^{d} ditto. not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	d^{o}	4	—	—
Biskets of three Coppers price	d^{o}.	—	12	6

Deacon Mead upon his application has liberty from the Selectmen to make Brick upon the Towns Land [**35.**] on the Neck, being that part leased to Deacon Davis & others provided the Lessees have no objection, and that the Ground is made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen — but if the Inhabitants should have any material objections, the works are to be suspended — The Selectmen recommend to the several Masters of the public Schools, that they make their respective Scholars acquainted with the By Laws forbidding to throw Snow Balls and play Foot Balls in the Street and any other of those Laws that concern their Scholars;

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 10. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Tyler, Walley, Cunningham, Grant Andrews —

Voted, that M^{r}. John Ballard have a draught in the next dra't for Nine pounds ten Shillings & 1^{d}. being the balance of an Acco^{t}. which will be placed on the file of Accounts for this month of January — drawn for

M^{r}. Grant having received last Novr. 29 of Brookers Donation to distribute £2 — 14 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To the Widow Glover	£ —	9 —	4 —	
Widow Jefries	—	12 —	—	
Widow Dodge	—	9 —		
Widow Goodwin	—	12 —		
Widow White	—	6 —		
Widow Coppinger	—	5 —	8 —	
				£2 — 14 — 0.

John Tayler admitted an Engine Man for Engine N°. 11 Capt. Champney, in the room of Thomas Foster, dismissed

Mr. Nazro directed to enquire out & Report to the Board the Masters Names of those Boys who bring their Barrows of Bread &c. to the Market Square —

Mr. Nazro is to request the Masters of the Boys who bring Barrows of Bread &c. into the Market Square to attend at Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday —

[**36.**] Mr. Peter Hunt Baker; Petition for leave to Erect a Bake House, read — and the consideration referred for the present —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 11. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Cunningham,

The Selectmen as a Commee. of the Town together with Judge Sullivan, attended on the business assigned them relative to the incroachments on Olivers Dock; Mr. Woodward the other Party attended —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 15. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Browne, Tyler, Cunningham, Grant Walley, Price,

The Selectmen are requested by Colo. May to make the necessary provision for the 90 Men detailed from the Boston Regiment to join the Forces under the Command of Majr. General Lincoln, ordered to take the Field —

Colo. May in a second Letter requires, the Articles Specified hereunder. Vizt.

One good strong Sled with high sides & covered at top to be drawn by four good able Horses & to have a Driver to continue in the service of the two Boston Companies 34 Days from the 19. Inst. unless sooner discharged —

19 Camp Kettles & 19 Tin Pans that will hold a Gallon for the use of the Officers & Men —

Mr. Cunningham engages to provide Kettles & Tin Pans —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 15 P.M. Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Cunningham, Browne.

Mr. Joel Hagar is to provide a Sled, Driver & 4 Horses, to be in the service 34 Days from the 19th. of Jany. Inst. unless sooner discharged — for which he is to receive twenty Shillings p Day & to have £6 — advanced — the Sled to have high sides & to be covered —

[**37.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 17

1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Cunningham, Andrews.

A number of the Town Bakers attended as requested by the Selectmen — when they were forbid by the Selectmen to suffer their boys with Barrows &^{c} to come on Market Square.

Upon another requisition — Agreed with Benjamin Trask to provide a Sled, Driver, & 3 Horses to be in the service 34 Days from the 19. of Jany. Ins^{t}. unless sooner discharged for which he is to receive seventeen Shillings, p Day, and to be paid by an Order on the Town Treasurer — Mem^{o}. the Sled is to have high sides, and to be covered as a security from the Weather —

M^{rs}. Elizabeth Wolcut approved of for a License as a Retailer at her Shop in Ann Street —

The Selectmen direct M^{r}. Nazro Clerk of the Market, that if any Bakers boys come with their Barrows upon the Market Square to inquire the Name & call upon Justice Greanleaff that they may be proceeded with as the Law directs —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^{y}. [18] 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley,

Selectmen Attended in order to forward the Supplies for the Troops —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 24. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Cunningham, Tyler, Andrews.

Capt. Witherles Receipt for Supplies for his Company placed on the Files of mix'd Papers —

Whereas M^{r}. Scollay had it in order sometime since to agree with M^{r}. Farrington for the ground Rent of the Land whereon his Store stands, now makes Report that he had agreed with said Farrington for Fifteen Pounds for one Year ending next February — and the Town Treasurer is to be informed thereof accordingly

sent Treasurer

[**38.**] M^{r}. Scollay Dorr & Grant a Committee to enquire into the supposed encroachments on the Towns Land where James Butters House stood backing upon Snow Street —

Passed upon D^{r}. Appletons State Accompt amounting to £9-15-10^{d}. as p Copy to be returned

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 29 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Grant, Andrews, Cunningham, Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}.

		lbs —	oz —	dr
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh —	1	6	11
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	—	—
Biskets of three Coppers price.	must weigh	–	12	6–

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 29. 1787 Present Messrs: Tyler, Grant, Dorr, Price, Andrews, Cunningham, Browne, Scollay, Walley.

M^{r}. William Martin recommended by the Selectmen in a Certificate delivered him as a Person of good Character & like to make a good Citizen of this Commonwealth — Passed upon other Accounts —

The Committee appointed to treat with M^{r}. Tuckerman relative to the Towns Land improved by him, & adjoining his Estate Report that by an enquiry they apprehend the same to be worth thirty Shillings which he was willing to give & no more — which Report is accepted, & the Selectmen agree that he have the same for said thirty Shillings for every foot in front —

M^{r}. Nazro to Notefy the Justices to attend next Monday 11 O'Clock to view M^{r}. Hunt Baker, Land for [**39.**] the Building a Bake House —

M^{r}. Brown having rec^{d}. of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation 29th Novr. last £2.14 the same was distributed as follows Viz^{t}. —

To 2 M^{rs}. Brownes	£—12—
To 3 M^{rs}. Oultons	—18
To Widow Perkins	— 3—
To 3 M^{rs}. Oultons, sick	—15—
To M^{rs}. Vincent	— 6—
	———£2.14

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 7. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Grant Cunningham, Walley.

Deputy Com. Generals Receipt for Provisions, placed on the file of mixt Papers —

M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Tyler a Comm^{ee}. to act about the Gun House & some old Lumber as they shall Judge proper —

The Selectmen as a Comm^{ee}. on M^{r}. Woodwards Incroachments agree to take up that matter next Fryday Afternoon — 3 O'Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Tyler, Price Browne—

M^{r}. Justice Greanleaff, M^{r}. Barret M^{r}. Crafts & M^{r}. Whitmore* met the 5. Ins^{t}. in order to see the expediency of leasing a peice of Ground for M^{r}. Hunt to build a Bakehouse on —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Feby 9. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Andrews —

The Selectmen had a conference with M^{r}. Woodward, relative to the Incroachments made by him on Olivers Dock —

The Selectmen agreed to have a further consideration on this matter before the next Town Meeting

[**40.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 14. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Cunningham, Grant, Walley, Andrews, Price, Browne

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*Probably William or Seth Wetmore.—W. H. W.

Capt. Nicholas Peirce of Engine N°. 9 applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the late Fire at M^{r}. Toreys House — which was granted —

M^{r}. John Andrews inform'd on the 7. Ins^{t}. that a few Days before he received into his House as a dry Nurse one Margaret Orcut an Inhabitant of Hingham, but last from M^{r}. Elisha Doans of this Town — aged about 19 or 20 Years

M^{r}. Walley informed on the 7. Ins^{t}. that he had on y^{e}. 22^{d}. January received into his House as a Servant one Rebeccah Bradshaw born in Medford in the County of Middlesex —

The Selectmen have agreed to appoint another Measurer of Wood coming into Town by Land, for the South part of the Town —

M^{r}. Farrington is to pay as ground Rent for the Land he improves of the Towns near the Fortification five pounds p Quarter, the Rent to commence the 1st. of February Ins^{t}. —— & that M^{r}. Farrington have notice of the same —— sent p M^{r}. Nazro —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 25. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Cunningham, Tyler, Andrews,

The Committee for Assigning the *Rates* proper to be taken by the Ticket Porters for their Labour &^{c}. have attended the business Reported the following prices to be allowed them; which were approved of by the Selectmen — Viz^{t}. —

For carrying a Trunk or Barrell, or Wheelbarrow Load of Goods from any Warehouse or place on the Long Wharff, Merchant Row to any other Warehouse or place on said Wharff, or Row or to and from any other place of any less distance than Sixty Rods — £— — 6^{d}.

From Long Wharff State Street or Merchants Rowe [41.] to Milk Street, School Street, Tremont & Hanover Street, and Northward as far as Cross Street, and all places of like distance — £ — — 9^{d}

From the Dock, Long Wharff or Merchant Row to Pond Street West Street & to the West & North Ends of the Town and other places of like distance 1/ £ — 1 —

And from the Dock or Long Wharff aforesaid to the Southward beyond Pond Street 1/3^{d} £ — 1 3

For Portrage of Powder to or from the Powder House one Shilling for a single half Barrel and for two or more eight Pence each —

M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to apply to a Member of the Boston Seat to get an Act Passed impowering the Selectmen with two Justices only to License the Building of Bake house &^{c}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 26. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Price, Grant, Brown, Andrews, Cunningham

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d} p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lbs	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	6	11
a 4d. ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	–	–
a 4d. ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	–	–
Biskets of three Coppers Price,	must weigh	–	12	6

Mem°. all old Stuff

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee appointed the 7th. Inst. relative to the Gun House * & some old Lumber Report that they have sold the same for fourteen Shillings * which Sum is to be paid into the Town Treasury — Mr. Tyler has paid the same to the Town Treasurer

Mr. Scollay having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation Money the 29. of Novemr last £2 — 18 — 9 the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

	Mrs. Lowell	£ — 12 —
*	Mrs. Read	— 12 —
	Mrs. Brightman	— 12 —
	Mrs. Usher	— 12 —
	Mrs. Oliver	— 10 —
		——£2. 18 . . 9 —

[42.] Passed upon Accounts,

Mr. Tyler a Committee to treat with Mr. Uran about a Hose he has to dispose of, provided it should suit Robinsons Engine —

Mr. Moses Bradlee appointed a Measurer of Wood Coming over Charles River Bridge — being recommended by a number of the Inhabitants — Recommendation on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28, 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Grant, Walley, Cunningham,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Dorr having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation the 29th. of Novemr. last £2. 14 — the same was distributed as follows Vizt —

To the Widow Elizabeth Stevens	£ — 12 —
To Susanna Pike	— 12 —
To the Widow Mary Ruddock	— 9 —
To the Widow Abigail Tyler	— 6 —
To Betsy Minot, a poor sick Woman	— 6 —
To Sarah Leate	— 9 —
	——£ 2 . . 14

Mr. Hamlin the Hayward is permitted to exchange an old Bull for a young one; or to dispose of the same to the best advantage —

Mr. John Tuckerman applies to the Selectmen to view the Ground he has erected a Building upon, near Pleasant Street, which he intends to improve as a Bake House —

It is determined by the Selectmen, that they will allow Mr. Andrew Tukesbury, not more than eight shillings p Week for keeping Mrs. Ross a distracted Person for the future & if this allowance is not satisfactory he is permitted to put her off the Island — gave an attested Copy in a Letter to Mr. Tukesbury del'd Mr. Nazro

[**43.**] On Application from a number of the Inhabitants at the South part of the Town that another Person may be appointed as a Measurer of Wood — Mr. Aaron May is appointed in addition to Mr. Thayer, for that office sent

The Selectmen agree to meet at Monday next precisely at 3 OClock P : M : to issue a Notification —

Mr. Cunningham having recd. of Brookers Donation £ 2 — 14 — the 29th of Novemr. last — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt.

To the Widow Orrel	£ — 18 —
The Widow Turner	— 12 —
Mrs. Rice a sick Woman	— 6 —
The Widow Dyer	— 6 —
The Widow Veasey	— 6 —
Mrs Vincent	— 6 —
	——— £ 2 . . 14 —

Boston Ss : At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Cunningham

Mr. Andrews a Committee to order some repairs in the way to Master Carter's House —

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 12th of March Inst. — 10 o'Clock A.M. for the choice of Town Officers &c.

Messrs. Edes & Son have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Mr. Cunningham & Walley, to wait on the Rev. Mr. Everet, to open the Town Meeting with prayer —

Mr. Walley appointed to confer further with Mr. Thompson that Report may be made thereon to the Town —

The following is Recorded as the doings of the Justices & Selectmen in the laying out of Lynn Street, at the North part of Boston Vizt. —

[**44.**] Whereas great desolation has happened in one of the Streets in the North part of Boston in the County of Suffolk called Lynn Street in the time of the Late war, and whereas it has become necessary to regulate & enlarge said Street for the benefit & accomodation of the Inhabitants of sd North part of the Town of Boston, We the Subscribers, Justices Assigned to keep the peace within and for said County now in being, and Inhabitants of said Town, & the Selectmen of said Town, being a Major part of both, do hereby regulate, enlarge & lay out said street, in manner following Vizt. Begining at that end of sd Street, where it butts upon Middle Street so called, at the south east corner of the house called the Globe Tavern, on the North side of sd Lynn Street, thence running Westwardly till it comes to the Land of Hemmenways, two hundred feet, thence running, a little more Westwardly, three hundred & seven feet till it comes to Land improved by Pike, thence running, a little more westwardly, to a turpentine house, on land of Thomas Jarvis, three hundred and eight feet, cutting off about four feet of said house, thence running, a little more northwardly, One hundred & fifty one feet

to a Stake — thence running more westwardly thirty six feet, till it strikes the North end of the West line of Ferry Street so called and on the South side by a parrallel line of Forty feet distant from the North line, throughout, from said Middle street to said Ferry street except where Whites house & Land, Swift & Richardson & Richard Smiths houses and Lands and part of Coulters house and Land interfeers in [**45.**] all which places the bounds of said houses & Lands are to be considered as the bounds of said Lynn Street, according to the annexed plan, which Street Viz^t. Lynn Street is from hence forth to be considered as one of the publick Streets, ways, or Passages of said Town of Boston. In Witness whereof we the said Justices and Selectmen have hereunto set our hands & Seals at Boston aforesaid, the twenty eight Day of September in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Eighty six

EDM QUINCY & a Seal
JOSEPH GREANLEAF & a Seal
JOSEPH GARDNER & a Seal
JOHN AVERY & a Seal
EZEK^L PRICE & a Seal
THOMAS CRAFTS & a Seal
JOHN BROWN & a Seal
SAMUEL BARRETT & a Seal
} Justices of the peace now being in s^d Town of Boston & Inhabitants of s^d Town

JOHN SCOLLAY & a Seal
HARBOTTLE DORR & a Seal
EDW^D TYLER & a Seal
JN^O ANDREWS & a Seal
MOSES GRANT & a Seal
W^M. CUNNINGHAM & a Seal
} Selectmen of said Town of Boston.

A true Record from the Original
which is placed on the Files of Selectmen
Att:
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7, 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Grant Price

M^r. James Thompson a Collector of Taxes for the Years 1783, 1784 — & 1785 having produced Town County & State Treasury Receits for the Moneys committed to him to Collect in those Years as on file,

M^r. William Kendall of Ward N°. 7. & M^r. John Townsend Preston apply for being furnished with Fire Arms &^c. as the Law directs — they being poor and unable to furnish themselves —

[**46.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 14. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Boardman, Walley, Price, Andrews

Town Clerk directed to issue a Warrant for Town Meeting Tuesday next the 20. of March Ins^t. 3 O'Clock P:M:

M^r. Hall — to have the printing of the Notifications —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 21. 1787
Present Messrs. Dorr, Andrews, Sever, Tyler, Scollay, Walley, Bowman, [*sic.*] Price,

M^{r}. Elkanah Hawkes, applys for the approbation of the Selectmen, to open a private School in this Town — his Petition & the Recommendation accompanying it, were read — but it was the Opinion of the Selectmen, not to grant his Petition —
set the 26. of said March —

M^{r}. Nazro directed to require the attendance of M^{r}. Goold, Constable of the South Watch, there having been complaints made relative to his behavior —

An Advertisement to be inserted in the Centinel & Adams & Nourse Papers — which are to be paid for, relative to Measurers of Wood —

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on the 1^{t}. Monday of April next for the choice of Governor &^{c} —

M^{r}. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to wait on the Rev^{d}. Mr. Eliot & to request his opening the Meeting with Prayer —

M^{r}. Fleet to have the printing of the Notifications of said Meeting —

Voted that —

M^{r}. Samuel Whites Petition relative to an appointment of Sealer of Wood — read, but not granted —

[**47.**] Agreed with Capt. David Tenant bound to Halifax to carry as Passengers to said Place, Richard Demery his Wife & two Children & one Catherine Crowly, five persons in all, for twenty two Dollars all being Strangers & not Inhabitants of any Town in this State —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 26. 1787
Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Price, Andrews

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lbs.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread French made,	must weigh	1	6	11
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal,	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above half Indian Meal,	must weigh	4	—	—
Biskets of three Coppers price	must weigh	—	12	6
Flour 36/				

Capt. Jacob Goold Constable of the Watch at the South part of the Town is dismissed from that service on complaint of a number of respectable Inhabitants, that he was not a suitable Person for said trust,

M^{r}. Elkana Hawkes, the vote of 21. of March Ins^{t}. notwithstanding, was informed by the Selectmen on his application, that

they have no objection to his acting as an Assistant to Mr. Shimmins

It is the Opinion of the Selectmen that an old Brick Building in Ann Street owned by Mr. John Welch & others, is in such a State as greatly to endanger the Limbs & Lives of those who pass by it, and therefore ought immediately to be taken down or repaired —

Passed upon Sam Curtis & Jesse Houghtons State Account amounting to £13. 7 —

[48.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Browne, Price, Boardman, — Andrews

Benjamin Barnes admitted an Engine Man for Compy. of Engine No. 2. in the room of Robert Lash, now out of the Commonwealth

Passed upon other Accounts —

Joseph Spear applys to the Selectmen for liberty to open a Drain to the Common Shore in Leverets Lane, from his House in said Lane — which was granted on condition the Ground & Pavement be made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

Martin Bicker applys for liberty to open a Drain from his House in Dock Square into the Common Shore in the Market Square — Granted on condition that the Grounds & Pavement is made good to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Mr. Blainey being indebted to the Town Treasury for two Years Rent of the Bull Pasture Thirty Pounds p Agreement — the Selectmen consent that the Town Treasurer pay the full of the Draft lately made by the Selectmen in his favor, he first giving security to the satisfaction of the Selectmen for the payment of the £30 — aforesaid within three months from this Date —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 31. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman —

Capt. Caleb Hayden a sworn Inspector of Oil for the Port of Boston Certified on Oath that nine Tons & twenty four Gallons of Oil, being white Spermacete Oil were brought into this Port in the Schooner Ranger Stephen Sears of in the County of Barnstable Master — for which the proper Certificate was given Mr. David Kelley the Owner, to enable him to receive the Bounty, allowed by a Resolve of this Commonwealth —

[49.] Job Wheelwright a sworn Inspector of Oil for the Town of Boston Certified on Oath that nine Tons, six Barrels & 22½ Galls. of white Spermacete Oil were brought into this Port by the Schooner Wellfleet Richard Rich of said Wellfleet in the County of Barnstable Master, for which a proper Certificate was given to Stephen Wood of Wellfleet aforesaid sole Owner, to enable him to receive the Bounty, allowed by a Resolve of the Commonwealth

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 3d. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Andrews, Price,

Mr. William Foot appointed an Inspector of Barreld pickled

Fish Pork & Beef in this Town, and took the Oath of Office which was administred to him by Ezekiel Price Esq. —

The Selectmen have no objection to Mr. Badgers removing his Auction Room to the Room lately occupied by Mr. Parkman.

Mr. Joseph Hammet appointed an Inspector of Barrell'd pickled Fish, Pork & Beef in this Town, and took the Oath of Office which was administred to him by Ezekiel Price Esq. —

Mr. Nazro is to Notify the Justices & Overseers of the Poor to meet the Selectmen at their Chamber on Tuesday next 5 OClock in order to Agree upon a Visitation of the Town —

Capt. Tyler having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation the 29. of November last £2 " 14 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To the Widow Brick	£1	4	
To the Widow Tyler		12	
To Mrs. Clough		6	
To the Widow Goodwin		12	
			£2 14 —

The Town Clerk is to Certefy the Town Treasurer that Mr. Gould is to allow ten Dollars p Agreement for the small Wooden Building on the Neck — sent

[**50.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 10. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Seaver, Browne,

John Hunter Petition that he may be an Auctioneer for the present Year —

Town Clerk directed to issue a Warrant to the Constables to Warn the Freeholders relative to the Lamps

Mr. Russel Sturgis's Vessel is permitted to come up to the Dock, it not appearing to the Selectmen that any danger to the Inhabitants will arise therefrom — Dr. Appleton was of the same Opinion — the Man taken with ye. Small Pox at Wellfleet being landed there before any Eruption appeared — An Advertisement relative to ye Lamps was sent to Mr. Russel Printer of the Centinel —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April [11] 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews Walley Boardman Sever, Brown Price

Capt. Cushing of Engine No. 7. proposes Wm. Mock as a suitable Person for his Engine Compy. in the room of Edward Bret who has left it — & he was approved by the Selectmen —

Mr. Timothy Tileston appointed a Constable of the Watch near Fortification in the room of Capt. Goold who has been dismissed — and Mr. Tileston is directed to give in the Names of suitable Persons for Watchmen, in order for their approbation of the Selectmen —

Mr. Hamlin the Hayward is directed to procure one more good Bull, making in all four Bulls, the number required by the Town By Laws —

Mr. Sever appointed to procure Rails for Gates & Fence in the Common, and order proper Repairs to the same

It is determined by the Selectmen, not to appoint more than two Inspectors of the Pollice, they apprehending that two Persons will be sufficient for the present Year

sent Ballard & Billings

[**51.**] The Selectmen have Certified the Town Treasurer that Seven pounds ten Shillings be abated Mr. Aaron Blaney, p Annum, for two Years Rent of Bull Pasture ending the 19 December last — making fifteen pounds for the two Year —

sent

The Selectmen have agreed to allow Mr. Welch an Inspector, for the last Year Vizt.

	£24 —
Capt. Ballard	12
Mr. Billings	12
Mr. Clark	12
	£60

Mr. Welch & Mr. Clark are appointed Inspectors for the ensuing Year —

sent to Ballard & Billings

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 13 1787. Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr Price, Tyler, Andrews Boardman Sever Walley

The Selectmen having authentick Information that the Small Pox was very prevalent at Halifax — His Honor the Lt. Governor was requested to give Orders that no Vessel from said Town should pass the Castle untill examined & permitted by the Selectmen to come up to Town — as p Copy on file —

Account of Cash received by John Scollay Esq on Account of Mrs. Brookers Donation — Vizt. —

Received of John Sweetser Esq one Years Interest on his Bond	£4	
John Fullerton D°	2 — 8	
William Tayler two payments in part of Interest due	17 — 5	
		£23 — 13

And the above Sum was delivered to the following [**52.**] Selectmen to be distributed amongst poor Widows &c. agreable to the Will of said Brookers, in proportion following — Vizt. —

see June 13th. To Mr. Dorr	£2	12	6	— see June 13	
Mr. Price	2	12	6	— see Sepr. 26	
Mr. Brown	2	12	6	— see June 18.17	
Mr. Andrews	2	12	6	— see June 6.	
Mr. Walley	2	12	6	— see Feby. 28.	
Capt. Tyler	2	12	6	— see Novr. 7 —	
Mr. Boardman	2	12	6		
Mr. Scollay	2	13		— see April 25 —	
Mr. Sever	2	12	6	see Decr. 5 —	
			£23	13 —	

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 16. 1787 Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Walley, Andrews —

The State of the several Wards as taken by the Visiters of those Wards, were return'd to the Selectmen as by Copies on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 17. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Tyler Dorr Andrews Walley,

Information being given by the Commanding Officer at the Castle that agreable to Orders he stopt at the Castle the Brigne Prince William Henry, as coming from Halifax, Capt. Avery Master

Capt. Green of the Company of Fuziliers prays for the use of Faneuil Hall at any Evening not improved by others which was granted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 17. 1787 P: M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Andrews Boardman, Seaver —

Capt. Avery attended the Board, who Reports that all [**53.**] His People together with two Passengers, have had the Small Pox Years since — the Vessel only in Ballast the Chests & Clothing on board were taken from Houses, that had not the Distemper — whereupon Capt. Avery was directed to smoke his Letters, before he brings them up to Town, and to see that the Passengers Clothes &^{c}. are smoked — and the following Letter was sent to Maj^{r}. Perkins Viz^{t}. —

Sir — Capt. Avery having attended the Selectmen & given them satisfaction in regard to the situation of his Vessel & People — You are therefore requested to permit his Brigantine to come up to Town, after he has smoked his Letters together with the Clothes &^{c}. contained in the Passengers Chests, Trunks &^{c}. &^{c}. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 18. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler Brown Walley, Boardman

Capt. John Cathbartson in the Sloop Peggy from Hallifax stopt at Castle William informs the Selectmen that his People & four Passengers on board have had the Small Pox Years since, that he has nothing on board but Ballast, and that he has well smoked the Clothes Bedding and everything on board any wise liable to infection — whereupon the following Letter was addressed to the L^{t}. Governor — Viz^{t}. —

Sir — Capt. John Cathbartson of the Sloop Peggy having been stopt at Castle William as coming from Hallifax where the Small Pox has prevail'd — the Selectmen have examined into the Circumstances of said Vessel, and such precautions have been taken, that in the Opinion of the Selectmen, she may now be permitted to come up to this Town, without exposing the Inhabitants to any Infection —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

His Honor the L^{t}. Governor.

[54.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 18. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Brown, Walley, Andrews, Price

The two Inspectors of the Police are to be directed by M^{r}. Nazro, to attend at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday Afternoon —

Mem^{or}: of Powder in the Magazine the Property of the Town of Boston — Viz^{t}.

Mem^{o}.* 7320 Cartridges for Small Arms, made up 13 Casks of Powder, (with Bullets, Buck Shot - - - and Flints in proportion)* —

Bullets Shot & Flints are in Faneuil Hall Chamber —

A Copy of the above sent into the Grand Jury —

M^{r}. George Tuckerman applys to the Selectmen for their approbation in the setting his Posts near his Dwelling House

M^{r}. Seaver, Boardman & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to view M^{r}. Tuckermans Land, & confer with him relative to the Posts he proposes to Erect; and to Report to the Board, respecting the same —

M^{r}. Peter Green applys to the Selectmen, that he may be appointed one of the Auchtioneers for the ensuing Year — as p Petition on file —

The Selectmen have agreed to view the Land near the Fortifications on which M^{r}. Brown is about erecting a Building —

A Letter wrote the Clerks of the Market earnestly recommending that the Laws of Assize relative to Bread may be duly executed, as p Copy on file. —

The Selectmen reconsider their Vote of the 11 Ins^{t}. respecting the pay of the Officers of the Pollice & M^{r}. Billings, Clark & Ballard are to have for their services the last Year. £15. — each —

[55.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April [20] 1787. Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Boardman,

Brigantine Friendship Capt. David Tennant from Hallifax, which she left 8 Days ago, in Ballast — having 2 Passengers on board, who with the whole of his People have had the Small Pox long since — & the Capt. directed to have the Letters & all the Clothing &^{c}. in the Passengers Chests thoroughly smoked before they come up to Town —

The following Letter addressed to Major Perkins Viz^{t}. —

Sir — The Selectmen having examined Capt. Tenant from Hallifax, are of opinion that he may come up to Town with safety after his Letters together with the Clothing &^{c}. in the Passengers Chests are thoroughly smoked, in which case you are requested to permit said Brig^{nt}. to pass the Castle John Scollay Chairman

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 21. 1787 — Present Messrs:

* See Thos Fosters Returns on file of mixt papers for anno 1786
* Marginal note in original [*sic*].

On Account of the great distruction by Fire the last Evening at the South part of the Town, The Selectmen Justices & Overseers, agreed upon a walk or visitation of the Town this Morning.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25, 1787. Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Andrews

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation the 13. of last April £2 — 13 — the same was distributed as follows Viz^{t}. —

	M^{rs}. Delaplace	£ —	5	8	
	M^{rs}. Johnson	—	6 —		
	M^{rs}. Foot	—	12 —		
[56.]	M^{rs}. Nuttage	—	12 —		
	M^{rs}. Holbrook	—	17	4	
				£2	13

Capt. Joab Hunt of Engine N°. 2 applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at M^{r}. Brecks & M^{r}. Shepherds House — drawn for

Voted that he have a draught on the Town Treasurer the next Draught Day for fifty six Shillings

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of a House owned by M^{r}. Moreton near the White Horse a Negro House at the Corner of Beach Street, and several other Chimnies at the S°. End of the Town which will be pointed out, are insufficient and dangerous — Messrs: Richard Hunnewell, Nicholas Pierce & Joseph Lovering — were impower'd by Warrant to survey the same & make Report as soon as may be —

Thomas K. Jones applies to be appointed an Auchtioneer —

The Selectmen have affixed the Bounds of the several Sealers of Wood as follows — Viz^{t}. —

M^{r}. Ballard from the Northward to the bottom of Cross Street, inclusive — sent

M^{r}. Weld from Cross Street to Woodwards Wharff, inclusive sent

M^{r}. Uran from Millers Wharff to Hatchs Wharff inclusive — sent

M^{r}. Walley M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee

Adjourned to Fryday Afternoon — Reconsidered — [57.] to confer with the Gentlemen of the Boston Seat relative to the subject matter of the Governors Letter respect^{g}. an Application to the General Court in behalf of the Sufferers by the late Fire —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Walley

A Petition relative to the Boundary Line betwixt Boston & Roxbury was preferred to the General Court —

A Petition relative to the Sufferers by the late Fire — praying Relief &^{c}. was handed in to the Boston Seat, in order to its being presented the General Court —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30. 1787 — Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Scollay, Seaver, Price, Brown Walley

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}. —

		lbs-	oz-	dr
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, French made,	must weigh	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal,	must weigh	4	—	—
Biskets of 3 Coppers price	must weigh		—13	4

M^{r}. Bayley applys for his Bonds as Collector of Taxes for the Years. 1781. 1782. 1783. 1784. & 1785.

The Selectmen direct the Town Clerk to deliver him the same, he having produced Treasurers Receits & *they* were deliver'd accordingly

The Republican Volunteers are to have the use of Faneuil Hall next Thursday Week, for dining the Company, they having by their Captain Bartlet pray'd this indulgence

The Selectmen have [**58.**] Appointed M^{r}. Timothy Tileston Constable of the South Watch — and five Watchmen Viz^{t}. —

Messrs: Rufus Tower
John Spear
Stephen Hayden
William Baker
William Sharp

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 3^{d}. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Walley, Andrews, Sever, Browne, Price,

Passed upon Accounts —.

Treasurer Boyer acquainted that M^{r}. Solomon Hews is to pay twelve Shillings lawful Money p Annum for the privilege of his Fish Market on Olivers Dock belonging to the Town, Rent to commence the 1 of March — And M^{r}. Jonathan Fowle four mil'd Dollars Spanish, for privilege on Water Course near Quakers Lane, p Annum from the 3^{d}. of April last — sent

Capt. Nicholas Peirce of Engine N°. 9 applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at a Negro House opposite Johonnots House drawn for

Voted, that he have a draught on the Town Treasurer, in April Draught not yet sent in for twenty eight Shillings — drawn for

The Selectmen have made choice of Col^{o}. Tuder for the delivery of an Oratition [*sic*] on the 4. of July next, agreable to a Vote of the Town —

M^{r}. Price & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to wait on Col^{o}. Tuder for the purpose aforesaid — see May 9 —

The Town Clerk to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of Representatives &^{c}. on Tuesday the 9. of May Ins^{t}. 10 O'Clock Forenoon —

M^r^. Brown and M^r^. Dorr a Comm^ee^. to wait on the Rev^d^. M^r^. Clarke and to ask his opening the Meeting with prayer

[**59.**] M^r^. Hall — to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Meeting

The Selectmen apprehending the Jail Watch to be no longer necessary, it is ordered, that said Watch be dismissed, and that M^r^. Nazro receive all the Implements belonging to the same —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 9. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Seaver, Andrews Walley, Brown Price,

M^r^. Seaver is added as a Committee with M^r^. Brown & M^r^. Walley, relative to Sea Street —

Orders given to M^r^. Matthew Nazro, as Clerk of the Market which Order bears date the 19. of March last —

An Advertisement relative to the Auchtioneers sent to M^r^. Hall — Printers for his Paper —

M^r^. Andrews & M^r^. Walley a Committee to treat with D^r^. Smith relative to the Repairs of a Street near the Rope Walk —

Thomas Daws Junr. Esq. having been applied to for the delivering an Oration on 4. of July next; has consented to the offer — as p Report of the Comm^e^. to make application —

The Town Clerk is directed to deliver the Town Treasurers the Bonds of Daniel Parker a late Collector of Taxes for the Years 1784 & 1785—and all the other Collectors Bonds *& every* Bond that is made payable to The Town Treasurer The Town Clerk is directed to Serve the Treasurer wth a Vote of the Selectmen for the Year 1754 in March Relating to the fish Stall Improv^d^. by Shubael Hewes at Olivers dock (sent in season) — gave Nazro a Copy

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 16. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay,

Capt. of Engine N°. 7 propose James Tucker & Joseph Francis as Engine Men in the room of Ebenezer Ears & Stephen Oliver

[**60.**] Joshua Eaton applys to the Selectmen for his being again appointed an Auchtioneer, as by his Petition on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 22^d^. 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay Dorr Price, Browne Walley Boardman

Capt. Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island; attended, & Reports that the Schooner Lively Abel Coffin Master, arrived at said Island this Day from Martineque having had the Small Pox on board on her passage — One of his Men broke out with the Distemper fifteen Days ago, & that two Boys eleven Days since enoculated & that no other Person on board is liable to that Distemper — that the cargo of said Vessel consisted wholly of Molasses — whereupon the follow^g^. Orders were given Capt. Laha —

You having Reported to the Selectmen that the Schooner Lively Capt. Coffin is arrived at your Island with three Persons on board who have the Small Pox It is our Orders that you take the sick Persons on shore & afford them all all necessary Assistance, if a Physician should be wanted you must apply to D^r^. Whipple —

Let every thing be done as to smoking & cleaning the Vessel & the Bedding Clothing &c. on board to prevent the communication of the infection, & Report to us your doings —

Boston Ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23d. 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay Dorr, Andrews, Tyler Sever Boardman, Walley, Price, Browne

Capt. Laha having Reported, that the Orders of the Selectmen had been fully complied with respecting Capt. Coffins Vessel & People, and that she might now leave the Island without danger of communicating the Small Pox — Capt. Laha was directed to suffer said Vessel to depart after he had been fully satisfied for the Expenses occasioned by smoking cleaning &c. — which the Captain or Owners of the Vessel are to defrey —

[**61.**] Orders delivered Mr. Timothy Tileston the Constable of the Watch of the South part of Boston, pr direction of the Selectmen —

On Application, by a Committee of the Light Horse that a small part of the Common may be alotted, for exercising the Horse; Mr. Scollay, Mr. Walley & Mr. Andrews were appointed a Committee on that business — who Report — That they have alotted apart of the Common for said purpose extending from the Beach or Charles River to the seventh Tree Northward, & bound Westward by said Row of Trees running down to the River, & Eastward by the Ditch, the whole Ground being situated below Mr. Copleys House now improved by the Dutch Consul Mr. Lurtower — Conditioned that they suffer no Horses but their own to enter the Common & occupy no more Land than what is allotted — which Report is accepted by the Selectmen — Copy sent

Mr. Thomas applys for liberty to open his Drain into the Common Shore from his House in Black Horse Lane —

The Selectmen permit — that the Ancient & Honble. Artillery Company Capt. Bell have the use of Faneuil Hall on the Monday Evening — the Light Infantry, Major Otis on Tuesday Evening — the Company of Cadets Colo. Bradford, on Wednesday Eveg. — The Republican Volunteers Capt. Bartlet on Thursday Evening and the Company of Fusiliers on Fryday Evening —

gave Mr. Nazro a Copy

Voted, that the Committee appointed to apply to Capt. Robins relative to his repairing Sea Street, be directed to inform him that unless he immediately complys with the direction of the Selectmen to repair said Street to their satisfaction, they will forthwith prosecute him for breach of Contract — Copy sent —

The consideration of the Appointment of a Hay Weigher, referred to the next sitting Day —

The Selectmen have agreed to allow Dr. Smith £7-10/. on condition he puts the Streets near the Rope Walk, in good Repair so far as his bounds reaches —

[**62.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 29. 1787 — Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Andrews, Walley, Price, Seaver, Browne, Scollay — Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/— p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows Vizt. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	8	8
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal,	must weigh	3		
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	—	
Biskets of three Coppers price,	must weigh		13	4

The Town Clerk directed to deliver Mr. Henderson a Collector, his Bonds given for the Collecting Outstanding Taxes — Mr. Parkers & Mr. Thomas's —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Brown a Committee to view a piece of Ground near Olivers Dock, relative to leasing the same & to Report

The letting of the Hay Engine to be referred determination to the next Wednesday 5 O'Clock P:M: provided their is a full Board —

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Sever a Committee to wait on Mr. Farrington & Mr. Tuckerman, relative to their purchase of some Town Lands — & to Report thereon —

The Committee relative to Sea Street having Reported that Capt. Robins declines making the Repairs which are necessary, are directed to apply to judge Sullivan, in order for a prosecution —

Mr. Sever a Committee to dispose of the Grass on Bull Pasture that it may not be lost to the Town & the feed

[**63.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 6, 1787 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Boardman, Andrews, Browne, Price.

The following Persons apply to the Selectmen that they may be appointed Auchtioneers for the present Year — Vizt.— Messrs. Joseph Russel & Samuel Clapp — who propose John Green Printer & James White Stationeer as their Bondsmen, & produced Treasurers Receit to April 16th.— 1787 — for duty paid — approved of by the Selectmen

Mr. Lewis Hoyt, who proposes, Daniel Jones Gentleman & Martin Bickers, Mercht. as his Bondsmen & produced Treasur. Receit to the 17th. of April for duty paid — approved of by Selectmen

Mr. John Badger, who proposes, James Leach Schoolmaster Leach Goldsmith — as his Bondsmen & produced Treasurers Receit for duty paid to April 14 — 1787 — approved provided his place be agreable to the Selectmen & conforms to ye. direction relative to Auchtioneers

Mr. Peter Green, who proposes as his Bondsmen — has not been an Auchtioneer for some Years past who proposes, approved provided he has a place agreable to the Selectmen —

Thomas Kilby Jones Mercht. who proposes as his Bondsmen

Joshua Eaton, who proposes George Makepeace Gentlemn. as his Bondsmen, and produced Treasurers Receit for duty paid

to April 17 — 1787 — provided his place be agreable to y^e^. Selectmen & he comply with their directions relative to Auchtioneers —

John Symms, who proposes Levy Lane & Thomas Knox Junr. as his Bondsmen — both Sailmakers — approved provided he has a place agreable to the Selectmen —

Elias Parkman Esq who proposes Thomas Melville Esq. & George Hyler Gentl^m^. as his Bondsmen & produced Treasurers Receipt for duty paid to the 11th. of May — 1787 — approved —

William Greanleaff Esq. who proposes as his Bondsmen & produced Treasurers Receit for duty paid to May 15. 1787 — approved

M^r^. John Jutau Auchtioneer who proposes Sam Brick Esq. & William Brick Merch^t^. as his Bondsmen & produced Treasurers Receipt to the 16th. of May 1787 — approved

see June 8

[**64.**] M^r^. Boardman & M^r^. Andrews a Committee to view the Labrotory improved by M^r^. Frothingham & others, and to Report what they Judge may be a reasonable Rent for the present Year —

M^r^. Andrews having received of M^rs^. Brookers Donation, the 12th. of April last £2 - 12.6 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^t^. —

To the Widow Veasey	£ — 12 —	
Widow Steward	— 12 —	
Widow Powers	— 12 —	
Widow Emmons	— 10 —	
Widow Wildes	— 6.6	
	———	£2 12.6

M^r^. Boardman appointed to examine the Acc^ts^. of the Keeper of the Alms house —

M^r^. Andrews appointed to procure two small Boxes with Keys for Jury Boxes as the Law directs

M^r^. Andrews & M^r^. Boardman a Committee to agree with some Persons for the laying on not exceeding thirty loads to fill up the holes on the Dock

M^r^. Weld & M^r^. Clark to make enquiry at what rates they can get the dirt of the Streets carted away & to Report to the Board

M^r^. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Comm^ee^. to see that the North Latin School House be put into decent state —

Fryday next 3. OClock P : M : Assigned for the Appointment of Auchtioneers — & M^r^. Nazro is to Notify M^r^. Ballard Keeper of the Hay Engine to attend at 4 OClock —

* Enoch Baldwin has Stalls N°. 1. & 11 at the West End of Faneuil Hall Market Leased to him by the Selectmen he to hold them on the condition the other Stalls are Leased, at the rate of £3 - 13 - & 1½ p Qtr from June Ins't.

[**65.**] The Selectmen have appointed the following Persons Scavengers for the present Year — Viz^t^. —

Messrs : John Lambert. for Ward	N°. 1.
John Ballard Junr.	2
Capt. John Ballard	3

* Memo they were let before to Ruggles & Warner Capt Ruggles being present agreed to pay back rent.

Marginal note in original [*sic*].

Messrs:	Capt. Henry Faye	N°. 4
	Edward Weld	5
	Samuel Beals	6
	John Allen	7
	John Todd	8
	Christopher Clark	9
	Joseph Shed	10
	Abraham Adams	11
	John McFadden	N°. 12

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8. 1787 — Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Sever Walley, Scollay Boardman Andrews Browne Price

Edward Procter Esq. Applys to the Selectmen for an Appointment as an Auchtioneer — & proposes Thomas Kimbell & Elias Thomas Sailmakers as his Bondsmen — he also produced Treasurer Hodgdons Reciept for the one p c^{t}. Premium to the 14th. of April last — approved by the Selectmen — see other side

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{r}. Boyer for one Years Interest of his Note of hand due on M^{rs}. Brookers Donation, £22 – 2 – 9— the said sum was delivered to the following Selectmen to be distributed among poor Widows a^{s}. agreable to the Will of said Donor, in proportion following — Viz^{t}. —

To M^{r}. Dorr	£2	10	—	see July 25
M^{r}. Price	2	6	8	see Septem^{r}. 26
M^{r}. Browne	2	10	—	see June 18. 1788
M^{r}. Andrews	2	6	8	see Sepr. 5.
M^{r}. Tyler	2	10	—	see Novr. 7 —
M^{r}. Sever	2	6	8	see July 25
M^{r}. Walley	2	10	—	see Feby. 28
M^{r}. Boardman	2	6	8	see Feby. 28
see Feby. 20. 1788 M^{r}. Scollay, retains	2	16	1	
				£22 " 2 " 9

[**66.**] M^{r}. Boardman & M^{r}. Andrews to view the Labratory improved by M^{r}. Frothingham & others, and to Report what they Judge may be a reasonable Rent for the present Year —

entred June 6th. —

M^{r}. John Kneeland applys to be appointed an Auchtioneer & proposes as his Bondsmen

It is agreed by the Selectmen not to exceed twelve Appointments, as Auchtioneers — 8 Selectmen present —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 13th. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Price Andrews,

M^{r}. Dorr having received of Brookers Donation the 13th. of April last £2 – 12 – 6 — the same was distributed as follows Viz^{t}. —

To the Widow Mary Jackson	£ —	8	—
Widow Ann Coppinger	—	6	—

To the Susanna Pike	£— 12 —	
Widow Sarah Brown	— 3 —	
Widow Abigail Tyler	— 6 —	
Another Widow Sarah Brown	— 6 —	
James Christy a poor sick Man	— 2 — 6	
Widow Elizabeth Stevens	— 9 —	
	———	£2 – 12 – 6

Capt. Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island having acquainted the Selectmen, that the Persons taken out of the Schooner Lively from Martineque with the Small Pox and one other sent from Westown, with the Small Pox are all recovered, & have together with their Clothing been so well smoked & cleansed, as they may be permitted to leave the Island, without danger of communicating the Infection to the Inhabitants — whereupon — Directions were given Capt. Laha to permit said Persons with their Clothing to depart from Rainsfords Island, provided you are fully satisfied for the Expence incurred by their being sent to the Hospital —

The Militia Company commanded [**67.**] by Capt. Head upon his application are permitted to make use of Faneuil Hall once a fortnight, when the Artillery Company do not appear, for the purpose of exercising their Men —

Capt. Gardner applys for the use of Faneuil Hall for the exercise of his Men, on any Evening: that shall first become vacant —

Capt. Lovering of Engine N°. 8th. applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the late Great Fire which happened at the South part of Town —

Voted, that he have a draft accordingly for the Sum of One pound, eight Shilling the next Draught Day — drawn for

Passed upon two Accounts of Capt. Samuel Partridge Keeper of the Alms house, amounting as by Copies on file to £1906 – 4 – 0½ — & £98 – 1 – 10^{d} —

M^{r}. Sever appointed to obtain from the Town Treasurer a state of the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market, who are the present Occupiers, to whom let, & to what times the Rents are paid —

The Committee to view Olivers Dock having Reported — the Selectmen determined not to — Lease the same

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to get the Barracks standing on Fort Hill now in the possession of M^{r}. McNeil removed —

The Selectmen have agreed to visit Deer Island Tuesday the 26th. of June Ins^{t}. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 20th. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Price, Andrews, Walley, Browne

[**68.**] M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Tyler a Committee, to agree with some Person as to white washing &^{c}. M^{r}. Tilestons School —

The Selectmen determine that the Rent of the Store on Dock Square, let to M^{r}. Daws & now in the occupation of said Daws &

Coolidge shall be forty five pounds lawful Money p Annum commencing from the first of March last — sent —

A conference held by the Selectmen, present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Dorr, Walley Brown, Boardman & Andrews — Assigned to M^{r}. Brown and Andrews to apply to the Wardens of the Chapel for the use of the same to have the Oration delivered there by M^{r}. Daws the 4th. of July next — M^{r}. Andrews likewise directed to acquaint M^{r}. Ballard that he may get Hay Engine repaired as soon as possible —

Jurors chosen, and entred in the Jury Books as usual —

Col^{o}. Procter & some other Inhabitants attended & complained that a Negro Man named Sampson Freeman; practised the making of Fires in his Stall on Dock Square thereby endangering the Inhabitants — also of the ill behavior of the Bakers Boys —

M^{r}. Enoch Baldwin is to have Stalls lately improved by M^{r}. White being N°. 13 & 19 — at the rate of £3 – 13 – 1½ p Qu^{r}. commencing from the 1st. of June Ins^{t}.— sent —

Capt. David Tenant of Brigantine Friendship from Hallifax, attended & acquaints the Selectmen that he has not had the Small Pox on board neither is the Distemper in Hallifax — whereupon a Letter was wrote the Commanding Officer at the Castle to permit said Vessel to pass the Castle as she might do it without danger to the Inhabitants —

M^{r}. Homer to be called upon by M^{r}. Nazro to make out & give in an Estimation of the charge of repairing Tombs &^{c}. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22^{d}. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Price, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Brown, Walley,

All the Selectmen attended & in their Persons ordered the Bakers Boys & the Stalls occupied by Negroes & others for the Sale of Merchandize from Market Square

[**69.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25, 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Seaver Boardman

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p bushel and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal,	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4^{d}. ditto not above ½ Indian Meal,	must weigh	4	—	—
Biskets of 3 Coppers price,	must weigh		—	13 4

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 4th. of July next, the Day on which Independence was declared — but no printed Notifications are to be dispersed —

The Selectmen being informed that Col^{o}. Hitchborn and Col^{o}. Reveire have made an Incroachment in the High Way in Lynn Street, they therefore request them to remove the same as in case

of neglect the Selectmen will be necessitated to take such steps as the Law directs sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Seaver, Andrews, Tyler Browne Price,

Capt. Job Wheelwright a sworn Inspector of Oil for the Port of Boston, Certified on Oath that 51 Tons 2 bbls: & 4 Gallons, of Whale Oil & 4 Tons 1 barrel & 9½ Gall^{s}. white Sperma Ceti-Oil were brought into this Port by the Brigantine Nancy John Rich Master, and a Certificate was given the Captain, to enable the Owner M^{r}. Joseph Blake, to enable him to receive the Bounty allowed by Government —

Mem^{o}. nothing received for Selectmen —

Passed upon other Accounts —

Complaint having been made that the Chimnies of a House in Fish Street are defective & dangers, whereupon a Warrant was issued impowering, [**70.**] Messrs: Richardson & Wells Masons to survey the same and make Report thereof to the Selectmen

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to require M^{r}. Ingerfields attendance this Day fortnight — and M^{r}. Nazro is then to lay his Orders as Clerk of the Market, before the Selectmen sent —

The Selectmen have agreed to attend the Visitation of the Schools on Wednesday the 11th. of July next & the several Masters are to be informed thereof — sent

Katherine Field is to have a stand on Market Square for the Sale of Fruit & Vegetables only, she paying M^{r}. Nazro what is customary for such a Privilege — sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July [3]. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler Boardman, Browne, Price, Seaver, Andrews,

Master Hunt to be directed to attend the Board next sitting Day — gave M^{r}. Nazro

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to inspect the Flats on which M^{r}. Samuel Todd is about erecting a Wharff, which intersects the Cours or range of cold Lane, on the Mill Pond —

Messrs: Scollay Dorr & Brown a Committee to examine the Records of the Town extract all the entries respecting the Town House, more particularly what may relate to the Interest the State may have in the same

Voted, that M^{r}. Hall have the printing the Oration to be delivered by M^{r}. Daws —

M^{r}. Sever Reports that he has agreed with M^{r}. Blaney, for the hire of the Bull Pasture the present season & take his Note for Nine pounds, the Sum agreed upon for said hire payable in March next —

M^{r}. Powers to have the printing of the [**71.**] Notification for the ensuing Town Meeting

— Town Clerk directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of a Representative &^{c}. next Monday 10 O'Clock A: M:

The Comm^{e}. for that purpose Report as their Opinion that D^{r}. Phillips has not encroached either on Orange or Bennet Street —

A Letter sent L^{t}. Governor to withdraw Orders for stopping Vessels from Hallifax

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 17. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever Walley, Boardman, Andrews Price

Voted, that The Town Clerk prepare a List of the Scavingers, for M^{r}. Nazro to acquaint them with their Appointment — gave M^{r}. Nazro —

Voted, that an Advertisement be inserted in the public Prints. for the Sale of North Battery, agreably to the Orders of the Town —

Mr. Ingerfield agreable to direction attended the Board, and was ordered to conform to the regulations of the Market in respect to fore stalling &^{c}. —

M^{r}. Tukesbury was wrote to respecting Stones being taken from the Island & his attendance at the Selectmens Chamber Wednesday the 25. Ins^{t}. was required —

The Collectors of Taxes to be called upon to produce their Bondsmen &^{c}. in order to their receiving the Tax Books

Capt. Carnes of Wards N°. 8 & 9 is to have the next night that may be relinquish'd in Faneuil Hall by any Core now improving the same for Military exercises — Capt. Gardner being first provided for —

M^{r}. Clark one of the Inspectors is to be directed to attend the Board & make return of his doings in his Office

[72.] Voted, that the Vote passed sometime since by the Selectmen, respecting having a full Board to determine respecting the Hay Engine be *reconsidered* — and that next sitting Day the Question be determined by the majority then present —

M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to procure the Laws & Resolves of the State —

A Visitation of the Schools was had on the 11th. Ins^{t}. and all were found in good order —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July [25] 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Scollay, Price, Sever, Browne, Andrews, Tyler Walley

M^{r}. Dorr having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation the 8th. of June last, £2 – 10 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To Susanna Pike	£ — 13 — 4^{d}	
The Widow Ann Coppinger	— 10 —	
The Widow Abigail Tyler	— 8 — 2	
James Christy a poor sick Man	— 4 —	
The Widow Mary Jackson	— 8 — 2	
The Widow Elizabeth Stevens	— 6 — 4^{d}	
	———	£ 2 – 10 –

M^{r}. Sever having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation the 8th. of

June last £2-6-8 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}.

To the Widow Mary Campbel	£ — 6 —
The Widow Ann Smith	— 12 —
The Widow Susannah Stevens	— 12 —
The Widow Steward	— 6 —
The Widow Barker	— 4 — 8
The Widow Eayres	— 6 —
	£ 2 - 6 - 8

Comm^{ee}. relative to a Chimnie in Fish Street have made return, and the same on File —

Capt. Samuel Ballard, having offered One [**73.**] hundred twenty five pounds p Annum for the Hay Engine which is the highest Sum, that has been offered the Selectmen have appointed him Hay weigher on the above Rent to commence at the expiration of the last term — the Conditions the same as the last Year

Capt. Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, attended & Reports — That the Schooner Rebecca Capt. Ozier from Madeira, has been detained at the Island for some Days, a Person having died with the Small Pox twenty one Days ago— that she has nothing but Wine as Cargo, that the Vessel Bedding Clothing, &^{c}. have been wash'd & smoked & in his Opinion may be permitted to leave the Island with safety — whereupon — Orders were given to permit said Vessel to depart, he being first satisfied for the charge which has arisen —

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to view the Pavement near M^{r}. Tuckermans, in order to determine whether it is necessary to have a Gutter the above Comm^{e}. to view the Pavement near M^{r}. Basses

The following directions were given M^{r}. Samuel Ballard, who has hired the Hay Market — Viz^{t}. —

M^{r}. Samuel Ballard Boston July 25. 1787 —

Sir As you are appointed to the care of the the Hay Engine for the present Year the Selectmen direct you strictly to Inspect the quality of the Hay you weigh, & insert in the Tickets you deliver out what sort it consists of, you are also to weigh each Cart bringing Hay to Market at least once every three months or oftener if necessary —

John Scollay Chairman
p Order

[**74.**] Capt. James of Engine N°. 10 applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out in a Vessel in Mill Creek — which was granted by the Selectmen — drawn for

An Advertisement for the Sale of North Battery Wharff &^{c}. sent Adams & Nourse & Russel Printers, for publishing —

M^{r}. Scollay, Dorr, & Boardman a Committee to procure a plan of the Towns Land at North Battery —

A Letter sent Col^{o}. Farrington requesting his compliance with the conditions agreed upon for the sale of Land formerly improved by him, otherwise the Land must again be advertised for Sale =

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Andrews, Tyler, Browne, Price, Seaver, Boardman, Walley

Passed upon Accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	d^{o}.	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian,	must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of three Coppers price	must weigh		13	4

M^{r}. Thomas Bayley Collector proposes, James Bayley Gentleman, & William Bird Gentleman as his Bondsmen for the faithful discharge of his trust — who were approved of —

M^{r}. Henderson Collector proposes Capt. Job Prince Mech^{t}. & Enoch James Blacksmith as his Bondsmen for the faithful discharge of his trust as Collector, who were approved of —

[**75.**] M^{r}. Thompson proposes Isaiah Doane Esq. William Scollay Esq. as his Bondsmen for the faithful discharge of his trust as a Collector of Taxes, who were approved —

M^{r}. Nazro is to request M^{r}. Pope who has the care of the North Clock to attend next Wednesday —

The Selectmen have agreed, that Col^{o}. Procter shall have the disposal of the Land at North Battery at public Auction — provided no Person appears to offer five hundred pounds, before the time of Sale by Auction of said Land —

M^{r}. Francis Gray informs that the Sloop Jennet Ephraim Dellano just arrived from the West Indies has the Small Pox on board — whereupon the Vessel was ordered to Rainsfords Island — and Capt. Laha the Keeper of the Hospital was directed to proceed as usual in taking the Sick & everything on shoar liable to Infection, and to proceed with the usual care in smoking & cleansing the Vessel &^{c}.

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to order repairs to the Pavement near Concert Hall in Sudbury Street & the Street leading to New Boston if they shall Judge it to be necessary —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^{t}. [1] 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Boardman, Price, Sever, Walley, Browne, Andrews,

Passed upon some Accounts

Capt. Laha Keeper of Rainsfords Island having Reported that he had taken on Shore the two Men belonging to the Sloop Jennet Capt. Dellano, who have had the Small Pox but are now well, as also the Bedding Clothing &^{c}. and that he had well smoked & cleansed the Vessel so that she may come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants — A Letter was wrote him permitting said Vessel to leave the Island, but that the People Clothing &^{c}. were to be retained untill further Orders —

[**76.**] M^{r}. Osgood Carleton, upon his application is permitted

by the Selectmen to open a School for teaching the Mathematicks — and that only —

Mr. Tyler appointed to enquire of Capt. Glascut the circumstances of one Peter Powers, a sick Person, who came in his Ship as Boatswain & applies that he may be sent to the Alms house for a short time —

Whereas Mr. John Nutting & Mons: Revaut — have advertised, their having opened Schools for teaching reading & writing, & the French Language — Mr. Nazro is directed to inform them, that the Selectmen forbid their continuing, to keep those Schools, untill they have apply'd for & obtained, the approbation of the Selectmen for that purpose

The Selectmen have agreed to visit the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, on Thursday the 23d. of August Inst. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 6. 1787
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews Walley, Boardman

Mr. Collector Williams proposes Robert Mc.Neil Merch^t. & William Stackpole Merch^t. as his Bondsmen for the faithful discharge of his trust &c. — which were approved of by the Selectmen

Mr. Leach Goldsmith approved as a Bondsmen for Mr. Badger in the room of Leach the Founder —

It is agreed by the Selectmen that the five Persons 3 Women & 2 Men who came from Machias where they were put on shore by the Captain of a Vessel from Ireland, should be sent to the Alms house on the State Account —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 8. 1787
Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Andrews Dorr, Tyler, Walley Seaver,

[77.] Capt. Peter Green Auchtioneer, proposes — Thomas Adams & Silas Atkins as his Bondsmen, who were approved of by the Selectmen —

Jurymen chosen & drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court, and entered in the Jury Book —

The Selectmen have agreed that the Sale of North Battery Wharff — be postponed untill further Orders thereon

On the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants for widening the Street called Merchants Row, the Selectmen agree to call a Meeting of the Justices to Morrow 11 OClock A: M: that the Petition may then be considered

Mons. Revaut approved of by the Selectmen to open a School in this Town for teaching the French Language he having been well recommended —

Master Cheney Master of the Writing School in Middle street, permitted to employ his Son as an Assistant from the time his late Assistant left the School, his allowance to be the same —

Fryday 4. O Clock P: M: Assigned for taking up Licenses

Mr. James Thomas permitted to open a Drain from his House in Prince Street to the Common shore, he to make good Pavement &c.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 9. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Andrews, Tyler Browne, Scollay, Price, Boardman, Seaver Walley

Capt. Lovering of Engine N°. 8 proposes Jeremiah Bridge as an Engine Man for his Company, who is approved of by the Selectmen —

The Selectmen & Justices met relative to the widening a Street near Merchants Row, on the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants —

Adjourned untill the Afternoon 4 OClock

[**78.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 9. 1787 P:M:

Present Messrs: Scollay, Andrews, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Brown, Seaver Tyler Walley

On the Petition of a number of Inhabitants for the widening a Street in Merchants Row — a Meeting of the Justices with the Selectmen was requested, but after two Meetings, a major part of the Justices not attending the business could not be legally taken up

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 10. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Tyler, Dorr, Andrews, Boardman Browne

Met to consider further of Licenses —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 15. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Seaver, Boardman, Price, Tyler, Browne,

M^{r}. Seaver appointed to order Repairs to a Well near the South Market —

The Selectmen have agreed on the application of M^{r}. Thomas Green, that the Rent of the Towns Store hired by him, stand at Thirty Pounds p Annum to commence from the last Quarter — sent Treasurer

The Selectmen approve of M^{r}. Amos Winship as one of the Bondsmen for M^{r}. Williams Collector

Adjourned to Thursday 4. OClock.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 16. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Seaver, Scollay Walley,

The Town Clerk directed to deliver up to Collector Williams, his Bonds for 1785 — and they were delivered accordingly

A Letter wrote Archibald McNeil as p Copy on file — The Board acted on the List of Licensed Persons for 1786 & a Return made thereof to the Court of Sessions a Copy of which together with a List of the Persons approbated this Year as Inholders & Retailers are on the Files of mixed Papers —

[**79.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 22^{d}. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Tyler, Dorr, Seaver, Andrews, Browne, Price,

Capt. Cushing of Engine N°. 7. proposes Edmund Dolbear as an Engine Man for his Company in the room of Joshua Gray, who has entered as Sergeant Major in the Militia who was approved of by the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Sever & Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Walley, a Committee to order necessary Repairs to the Fences of the South Burial Ground & also to view the Towns Land near young M^{r}. Tuckermans House —

M^{r}. Walley a Committee to view the Land on Olivers Dock near Hewes Fish Market, and Report to the Board —

John Skinner the Hayward is to be required by M^{r}. Nazro to attend the Board next sitting Day —

The Selectmen agree to meet to Morrow Morning ½ past 10. OClock. — on the Floor of the State House —

M^{r}. Sharp *Const.* one of the South Watch attended on the complaint of the Constable of said Watch for sleeping on his Watch, and was informed by the Selectmen, that they much approved of the Constables fidelity & attention, and that further complaint of the like behavior in future will occasion his dismission from the Watch —

The Selectmen agree to have a Conference with the Committee of the General Court appointed to Report a suitable place to Erect a new Court House upon, — relative to the subject matter of their Commission

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Browne, Price,

Passed upon Accounts

[80.] Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto, ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	d^{o}.	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above ½ Indian Meal	d^{o}.	4	0	0
Biskets of three Coppers price,	must weigh		13	4

Flour 35 / —

M^{r}. Skinner appeared as directed, and gave satisfaction to the Selectmen, relative to his conduct as Hayward —

Capt. Partridge has liberty from the Selectmen to take of Deacon Davis for the use of the Alms house, out of the Money which will be last due for Land sold Him, one hhd: Molasses & 12 Blls: Flour —

The Selectmen have agreed to have a conference with a number of Gentlemen next Thursday 4 OClock P: M: relative to the propriety of making proposals for the better accommodation of the General Court in their future Meetings in this Town —

On the 24th. Ins^{t}. the Selectmen & a number of Gentlemen Visited Rainsford Island Hospital & took a view of y^{e}. Land Buildings &^{c} —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 29. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Seaver, Boardman, Tyler, Andrews, Walley,

This Day the Jury Box was removed by the Selectmen

M^{r}. Elkanah Hawkes has liberty granted to open an Evening School for the Instruction of Youth in Writing &^{c}.

Tuesday next 4. OClock assigned for a conference relative to a Court House &^{c}.

[**81.**] Capt. Tyler appointed to give directions & make agreement for the Launching & repairing the Boat belon^{g}. to Rainsford Island Hospital, now on shore at s^{d}. Island

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 4. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Browne, Bowman, [*sic*] Price,

The Selectmen Representatives & &c had a conference relative to a new Court House, when it was the unanimous opinion that a Town Meeting should be called to determine on this matter —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 5. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Walley, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman,

M^{r}. Andrews having received of Brookers Donation the 8th. of June last £2 – 6 – 8^{d}, the same was distributed as follows Viz^{t}. —

To the Widow Veazie	£ —	12 —				
Widow Stewart	—	12 —				
Widow Hammond	—	12 —				
Widow Hammond	—	6 —				
Widow Richardson	—	3	4			
Widow Powers	—	6	8 —			
Widow Emmons	—	6	8 —			
				£2	6	8^{d}

M^{r}. Syms having informed, the Selectmen that he had hired a Chamber on the Dock over M^{r}. Bradleys Store, for an Auchtion Room, it was consented to by the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Price a Committee to view Olivers Dock & Report as to the propriety of a Shop being erected on the Towns Land — Agreed

[**82.**] The Committee relative to the Neck are desired to Agree with M^{r}. Blaney for a number of Loads of Gravel to be put on the Neck not exceeding 100 load, for which he is to be allowed one Shilling & six Pence p load — and also to hire a suitable Person to inspect the loads &^{c}.

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to view the Towns Land at the lower end of Summer Street, on the application of M^{r}. John Tileston for erecting a Fish Market on said Land —

On the complaint of a number of the Inhabitants, that the Proprietors on the Neck had not comply'd with their Agreement with respect to the selling Trees &^{c}. &^{c}. as p Copy on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 12. 1787 Present Mess^{r} : Scollay, Price, Andrews, Boardman, Sever, Tyler, Browne, Walley,

The Committee to view Lands near Olivers Dock & Report that it appears to them inexpedient that any Shop should be erected on the Towns Land near said Dock

The Committee to view the Towns Land at the lower end of Summer Street — Report that it appears to them inexpedient, that a Fish Market should be erected on said Land —

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Wednesday the 19th. of Septem^{r}. Com^{g}. 10 OClock A : M :

Voted, that M^{r}. Allen have the printing of the Notifications —

M^{r}. Boardman M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Walley a Comm^{ee}. to make enquiry into the state of the Market Yard, & Report what further regulations they may judge needful

[**83.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 19. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Tyler, Boardman Price, Andrews,

Turel Tuttle applys for liberty to lay a Gutter for carrying Water from several Streets into the Mill Pond

M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Boardman, a Committee to view the Street & Report what is necessary to be done

M^{r}. Walley a Committee to survey a Drain opposite M^{r}. Boarns House & to Report to the Selectmen

M^{r}. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to give directions relative to the removing the Engine House on North Square and also as to necessary Repairs —

Capt. Laha Reports, that the 3 People landed out of the Schooner Vulture Capt. Robbado, have recovered from the Small Pox, & that their Clothing &^{c}. has been so well smoked as that they may be permitted to come up to Town without danger of communicating the Infection — whereupon he was directed to give a further cleansing to the Clothing &^{c}. — and was permitted to let the three Men leave the Island taking said Clothing, on Wednesday next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Andrews, Browne, Boardman, Price, Walley

Passed upon Accounts —

Col^{o}. Hall of Providence applys for liberty to open a drain into the common shore of ten feet length, from his House in Milk street — Liberty granted by the Selectmen conditioned that the Pavement be restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

[**84.**] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p bushel, and that 12^{d}. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is commuted as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread French made must weigh —	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh —	3	0	0

a 4d. ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	d°.	4	0	0
Bisket of 3 Copper price	must weigh		13	4

Mr. Seaver & Mr. Browne a Committee to procure the laying a Drain in Orange Street, provided it can be done for a sum not more than twenty Dollars, if a higher sum first to report to the Board

Mr. Dorr & Tyler a Commee. to order Repairs to the Pavement in Black Horse Lane & Fleet Street —

Voted, that the following Persons have Tombs which have been repaired by Mr. Homer in the Common burying Ground, — paying £7. Each to Mr. Homer

v Thomas Bumstead a Tomb in the Name of Bayley
v Bossinger Foster a Tomb in the Name of Ayres
v Joseph Russel Auchtioneer a Tomb in the name of Freck
v Benjamin Waldo a Tomb in the name of Dudley

Conditioned, that they keep their respective Tombs in Repair, and deliver up the same, when a claim shall be made by any of the legal Heirs; The Claimants or the Town of Boston repaying Sd. £7 — to the Person advancing ye. Same

Mr. De Nancrede applying for liberty to open a School in this Town for Instruction in the French Language — Liberty was accordingly granted —

[85.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 26. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Walley, Price Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Andrews, Browne,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Price having received of Brookers Donation — Vizt. —

May 31, 1784 - - - - - - - -	£1	10	0
April 20, 1785 - - - - - - -	2	8	0
June 26, 1786 - - - - - - -	£2	8	0
Novr. 29, 1786 - - - - - - -	2	14	0
April 13, 1787 - - - - - - -	2	12	6
June 7, 1787 - - - - - - - -	2	6	8
			£13 " 19 " 2d

The same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To the Widow Foster	£1	4	— 0
Widow Stevens	1	4	— 0
Capt. Bass (Crippled)		18	— 0
Widow Stevens	1	4	— 0
Widow Burns		6	— 8
Widow Brown		18	— 0
Capt. Bass		12	— 0
Widow McElroy		18	— 0
Widow Lee		12	— 0
Widow Stevens		12	— 0
Widow Foster		12	— 0
Widow McElroy		6	— 0
Widow Rouse		18	— 0
Widow Cary	—	6	— 0

Widow Stevens	£12 — 0	
Widow Brown	12 — 9	
Widow Martin	12 — 0	
Widow Thorp	— 6 — 0	
Widow Brown	— 6 — 0	
Widow Johnson	—12 — 0	
Widow Horton	— 6 — 0	
Widow Stevens	— 6 — 8	
	———	£14 – 3 – 4

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Boardman a Committee to view Master Hunts Dwelling House, and Report to the Board what Repairs may be necessary —

Mr. Edmunds Constable of the North Watch is directed to look out for suitable Man for his Watch, in the room of Mr. Byles, who from deafness is incapable of discharging his duty as a Watchman — & to Report him to the Selectmen —

[**86.**] Capt. Tyler a Commee. to view the Hay Engine & provide necessary Blocks &c. —

Mr. Obediah Thayer was acquainted by Letter that he must desist from measuring any more Wood, & that the Scale is to be returned to Mr. Brown

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 3. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Price, Andrews, Boardman, Walley, Tyler,

Mr. Israel Loring having applied for liberty to open a Drain from his House in Leaveret Street — Liberty was granted conditioned, that he restore the Ground & Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, Mr. Dorr & Mr. Andrews the Selectmen who were applied —

The Selectmen have engaged to Mr. John Wheelwright the refusal of the Store lately let to Mr. Barrel —

The Selectmen have settled with Mr. Wheelwright that the Rent of said Store is to stand at twenty five Pounds lawful Money, p Annum — and to be paid Quarterly

Mr. Thomas Peak appointed Constable of the Dock Watch, in the room of Mr. Ireland, rendered incapable of discharging his duty by Bodily Infirmities —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 5 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Seaver,

Capt. Lemuel Gardner applies for the Appointment of an Inspector of Oil — And he was according appointed by the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 10. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Andrews, Scollay, Seaver, Boardman,

Mary Gleason informs that George Lynn a Cooper who came Passenger in the Brigne. Lion Capt. Lowe Master has been taken into her House

Mr. Scollay having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation [**87.**]

£17 – 5 — the same was given the following Selectmen to be distributed agreably to the Will of the Donor — Viz^{t}. —

Capt. Tyler	£2	5	—	see Novem^{r}. 7 —
M^{r}. Dorr	2	5	—	see Decem^{r}. 13 —
Mr Walley	2	2	—	see Feby. 18. 1788
M^{r}. Andrews	2	2	—	
M^{r}. Sever	1	19	—	see Feby. 25.—
M^{r}. Boardman	1	17	2^{d}	see Feby. 28th —
M^{r}. Scollay—	2	2		see Feby. 20. 1788
M^{r}. Price	1	8	9	see March 5.
M^{r}. Brown	1	4	—	see June 18. 1788
				£17 4 11

Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to order necessary Repairs to Master Hunts House not exceeding Fifteen Pounds —

M^{r}. James Rogers appointed Capt. of Engine N°. 4 — in the room of M^{r}. Uran who has resigned on account of his advanced Years — & M^{r}. Rogers being recommended to the Selectmen by the Engine Company —

M^{r}. Elisha Byles dismissed from the North Watch as a great deafness rendered him incapable of discharging his duty as a Watchman as formerly —

M^{r}. Lambert permitted to erect a Fence near the North Battery, provided he remove the same whenever required by the Selectmen—

M^{r}. Hamlin is permitted to return a Bull to M^{r}. Bryant which he gave the Town this Spring, he to be obliged to let M^{r}. Hamlin have another in the Spring of next Year —

M^{r}. Andrews directed to see a Stove placed in M^{r}. Cheneys School, belonging to M^{r}. Winslow —

M^{r}. Thayer having been heard on Account of his being discontinued as a Wood measurer — Voted unanimously that no reconsideration of the above take place at present

[**88.**] M^{r}. Walley appointed to confer with Col^{o}. Crafts relative to the Action brought by M^{r}. Hamlin —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 17th. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Seaver, Tyler, Price, Boardman, Walley, Browne

M^{r}. Price appointed to examine the Accounts of the Keeper of the Alms house for keeping the State Poor —

Capt. Joel Cushing of Engine N°. 7. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at M^{r}. Croswells Meeting so called —

Voted, that he have a draught the next Draught Day drawn for

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation of M^{r}. William Tayler five Dollars —

M^{r}. Price received three Dollars see March 5th. —

& M^{r}. Brown 2 d^{o}.

5 Dollars

Mr. Elisha Byles approved of to retail Spirituous Liquors at his House in Salem Street near Dr. Cutlers Church —

Mr. Nazro is directed to desire Mr. William Foster to attend next Wednesday —

Mr. Nazro directed to ask the attendance of the Clerks of the Market next Wednesday 4. OClock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 27. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Walley, Price, Scollay, Andrews, Sever,

The Clerks of the Market are to be made acquainted that ye. Selectmen wish them to attend the duties of their Office in surveying & weighing the Bread of the Town, in the execution of which they will be aided not only by the Selectmen but by a Constable who may attend them & have a proper allowance made him for his trouble, & whenever they choose to walk they may call upon either Constable Hews, Smith, or Spear who will have directions accordingly — also Constable Cade

[89.] Mr. William Foster attended, and assured the Selectmen that the breach made on the Common was without his knowledge & contrary to his express directions, and he engaged to have the Ground made good & Hay Seed thrown upon the Land to the Satisfaction of ye. Selectmen

Passed upon the Accounts of Capt. Sam. Partridge Keeper of the Alms house amounting to £1899 16 6¾ & £98 3 11d. — as by Copys on File —

On the Petition of Mr. Thayer, the Selectmen agreed not to reconsider their late Vote for the present

Mr. Morse is to desist from carrying on his Building on the Dock unless he can obtain the the consent of Mr. Dolbear — the Abutter —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 29. 1787 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Seaver, Dorr, Price, Browne,

Passed upon Accounts

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

		lb	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread French made	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4d. ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	—	—
a 4d. ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	—	—
Biskets of 3 Coppers price,	must weigh		14	4

Mr. Samuel Smith applies to the Selectmen that a Building of his in Ship Street may be licensed as a Bake house —

Mr. Tyler & Mr. Dorr a Committee to procure the usual quantity of Wood for the North Schools —

Mr. Andrews for Master Carters School

Deacon Boardman for Master Hunts School

Mr. Sever for Mr. Vinals School

[**90.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 31. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr Scollay Sever Andrews, Tyler Price, Walley,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Capt. Tyler appointed to repair the foundation of the Engine at Mill Bridge — also Capt. Boardman with Capt. Tyler to remove the Engine on the Dock to a suitable place —

Passed upon William Moors State Account amounting to £5 – 4

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. 7. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Tyler, Sever, Price, Walley,

Capt. Tyler having rec^{d}. of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation — Viz^{t}. — April 13th. — £2 12 6 June 8 — £2 10 — & Octo^{r}. 10. £2 5— is £7 7 6 the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

Abigail Tyler	£ —	9	0					
Sarah Brick	1	4	0					
Widow Clough		3	4					
Widow Whiting		10	2					
Widow Gooding		6	0					
				£2	12	6		
Widow Tyler	£ —	13	4					
Widow Brick	1	0	0					
M^{rs}. Coppinger		10	0					
Widow Gooding		6	8					
				2	10	0		
Mary Varney Widow	£ —	6	—					
Widow Gooding	—	9	—					
Widow Brick	—	12	—					
Widow Coppinger	—	9	—					
Widow Abigail Tyler	—	9	—					
				2	5	0	— £7	7 6

Voted, that M^{r}. Hamlin be directed to sell one of the Bulls for the most it would fetch & appropriate the Moneys arising from the same to the maintenance of the other Bulls —

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to call upon Justice Crafts & to enquire respecting the Moneys that are due from sundry Persons keeping Cows whom he was directed to sue —

[**91.**] M^{rs}. Mary Doughlass approbated for a License to sell spirituous Liquors —

M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to to enquire as to the Assizes —

M^{r}. Pope is to make the necessary Amendments or alterations in the old Brick Clock as he shall think proper, not to exceed the Expence of £5 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 8. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Andrews,

M^{r}. Craigue & M^{r}. Barker two of the Chimney Sweepers charged

with taking illegal Fees, appeared according to order & refusing to comply with sweeping at the stipulated prices, they were dismissed & forbid to sweep any Chimnies in this Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 12. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Bordman, Seaver, Price Browne

Licensed one Juba Andrew, a Blackman, living near the Loan-Office in Greens Lane to sweep Chimnies in The Town, and gave him a Sweepers Badge N°. 2 —

[**92.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 14. Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Browne Walley Sever Boardman

John Dobson appointed an Inspector of Barrel pickled Fish, Pork & Beef — and took the Oath of Office which was administred to him by M^{r}. Justice Price —

Michael Mellony appointed a Chimney Sweeper and a Sweepers Badge N°. 6. was delivered him — he lives in Greens Lane —

M^{r}. Kilby Jones; Bondsmen see Novem^{r}. 8th. last when he proposed them approved of by the Selectmen

Capt. Gustavus Fellows is permitted to build an Abutment on a Street near his House and the Estate of Zachariah Johonnot Esq. deceased if it cost not more than twenty-five pounds —

Passed upon Samuel Laha State Account amounting as p Copy on file to £90 – 6 – 8 —

Jurors drawn and entred & posted up in the Jury Books —

M^{r}. Craigue & Barker the two Chimney Sweepers from whom their Badges as Sweepers were taken by the Selectmen; having given satisfaction to the Board their Badges were returned them —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 21. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Andrews,

M^{r}. Sheriff Henderson M^{r}. Price consenting has liberty to erect a Gallows at the lower part of the Common for the execution of one Shean —

[**93.**] On the application of M^{r}. Winthrop a Fire Ward he is permitted by the Selectmen to give the necessary repairs to the Town House Engine which is greatly out of Repair —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26th. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Brown, Tyler, Andrews, Bordman Seaver.

Passed upon Accounts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/ 6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows Viz^{t}. —

		lb-	oz-	dr-
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of 3 Copper price	must weigh	–	14	4

Appear'd Capt. John Du Heaume from Newfoundland, S^{t}. Johns, who brought 38 Passengers from thence, requir'd of him to give *Bond* that they Shall not become a charge to the Publick — Directed that he atten'd next We'nsday wth his Owner M^{r}. Ren^{e} to give Bond accordingly —

Mem^{o}. His giving Bonds was dispensed with —

On the application of M^{r}. Molineaux & M^{r}. Dodge that they might be appointed Auchtioneers — it was Voted, that the number of Auchtioneers agreed upon by the Selectmen should not be enlarged —

An order given Capt. Partridge to receive into the Alms house to be supported at the charge of the Commonwealth one Margaret Leigh a Forreigner who had not wherewithall to support herself — Order signed by two of the Selectmen vizt. — M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Andrews

Also one a Forreigner — Order signed by M^{r}. Andrews & Deacon Boardman —

[**94.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. [28] 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Walley, Price, Scollay, Andrews Brown, Boardman

Mary Hall approved of to retail Spirituous Liquors at her Shop in Water Street & recommended in the usual form —

Passed upon other Accounts —

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a War^{t}. to Warn a Meeting of the Inhabitants on Fryday the 7th. of Decem^{r}. next —

It is agreed with M^{r}. Winslow that the Rent of M^{r}. Cheneys School House, be lower'd to £15 — p Annum, said Rent to commence the 7th. Instant —

The Printers of the Sentinel to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 6. 1787 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Andrews, Tyler, Boardman Sever, Walley,

M^{r}. Ray having relinquished his prior right of the Town Store on the Dock & M^{r}. Green having delivered up the Key — the Selectmen have let said Store to M^{r}. Samuel Austin, he paying therefor a Rent thirty pounds lawful Money p Annum at four quarterly payments — sent Treasurer

A Boy of the name of Cartwright approbated as a Sweeper of Chimnies, under Barker & a Badge delivered him N°. 8 —

Peter Vanderbush approved as a Chimney Sweeper, and a Badge N°. 7, delivered him.

[**95.**] M^{rs}. Elizabeth Whittemore approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at her Shop in Ship Street —

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee to view the Ground before D^{r}. Saxons Shop, & Report whether a Scale may be erected without Passengers being incommoded —

Col^{o}. Crafts to have liberty to make use of the Selectmens Chamber the 15th. Ins^{t}. Afternoon for the holding a Court, for reasons given in his Petition —

Mr. Brown & Mr. Sever a Committee to wait on Mr. Clarke & ask him to open the ensuing Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Archibald McNeil is to pay £21 — per Annum as Ground Rent for the Buildings on Fort Hill — Rent to commence — the 1st. Day of May 1784 sent to Treasurer

Mr. Sever having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation April 13 £3 12 6 — last — the same was was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To the Widow Susannah Stevens —	£=	12	8	
Widow Welch		6	8	
Widow Ayres	—	6 —	8	
Widow Ann Scott		6 —		
Widow Steward		6 —		
Widow Sever		6 —		
Widow Grice		8	6	
				£2 12 6

Mr. Nazro is directed to require the attendance of the Inspectors of the Police next Wednesday —

Mr. Ballard hay weigher is allowed an account of Hay weighed at Charlest'n in 1786. — Forty Shilling sent Treasurer

[**96.**] Liberty granted to Thomas Osborne to open a Drain from his House in Prince Street, conditioned that the Ground & Pavement be made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen Liberty was given by Mr. Scollay & Mr. Dorr two of the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 12th. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews Walley, Price

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Price a Committee to view the Repairs made by Capt. Bradley at the Town House Cellar —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 13. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Tyler, Boardman, Walley,

A Committee from the Fire Wards appeared, & Represented the bad state of several of the Fire Engines of the Town, and recommended the purchasing of a new Engine & the one which they supposed Mr. Daniel Sergeant had to dispose of —

Mr. Dorr having received of Brookers Donation the 10th. of October last £2 5 — the same was distributed as follows Vizt. —

To Susannah Pike	£	12		
To Widow Sarah Usher		6		
To Widow Ann Coppinger		7	$2\frac{1}{2}$	
To Widow Lydia Dannels		6 —		
To Widow Abigail Tyler		6	$3\frac{1}{2}$d	
To Widow Mary Jackson		7	6	
				£2. 5. 0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen December 19th. 1787 Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Dorr, Andrews Tyler Boardman Walley

Capt. Cushing of Engine No. 7. applys for the Premium allowed

by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which late broke out at the House of the Lieu^{t}. Governor —

Voted, that he have a Draught for the [**97.**] same next Draught Day — drawn for

Capt. Andrew Gardner approved of as a suitable Person to retail Spirituous Liquors at the House in Hanover House [*sic*] to which he has removed to since he was burnt out at the late Fire —

Charles Smith living near Wentworths Wharff Licensed as a Chimney Sweeper, and a Badge N°. 9. was delivered him —

The Town Clerk directed to inclose to the several Schoolmasters, the heads of several By Laws, which they are requested by the Selectmen to read to their Scholars, that they may be cautioned against doing things which will expose their Parents & Masters if not themselves to pains & penalties —

M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to wait on D^{r}. Bulfinch and know of him whether he expects Rent for the Watch House & Engine House on his Lands —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 26. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Dorr, Andrews, Sever, Tyler, Browne

Capt. James of Engine N°. 16. — applies for two Premiums for bringing his Engine to work on the Fire which broke out at Sugar House in Back Street & M^{r}. Rumleys at Middle Street — Voted, that he have a draught for the same drawn for

Ten Petit Jurors drawn by the Town Clerk and entered in the Jury Books —

The Town Clerk directed to acquaint M^{r}. McNiell that they agree to his proposals relative to a Building on Fort Hill as stated in his Letter of this date on file, depending upon a punctual performance of the same — Letter sent

[**98.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 31. 1787 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews Seaver, Boardman

Passed upon Accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb	oz	dr
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1 —	10 —	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal,	must weigh	3 —	0 —	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian	must weigh	4 —	0 —	0
Biskets of 3 Copper price	must weigh		14 —	4

The Rent of the Town house Cellar improved by David Bradley is set at £17. p Annum to commence the 1st. of October 1785 — sent p M^{r}. Nazro

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 2^{d}. 1788 A: M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever Boardman, Price, Andrews, Walley,

Capt. Robert Cushing of the Ship Nonpariel who arrived on the Yesterday from London, but last from Cowes, in 27 Day passage — attended, and was closely examined as p^{r} particulars on file — whereupon Capt. Cushing was directed to fall down to Rainsfords Island, and Orders given Capt. Laha the Keeper of the Hospital, to make further enquiry & examination and then to come up, when the Selectmen will give further directions, concerning said Ship —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 2^{d}. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Seaver, Dorr, Walley, Tyler, Andrews,

M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Tyler, appointed to view the North Battery, and employ such Persons as they think proper, to preserve the Towns Interest in danger of being wasted or destroyed & to Collect the Wharfage & account for the same

[**99.**] M^{r}. Nazro is directed to call upon M^{r}. Thayer a late Measurer of Wood, for the Scale for measuring, and deliver the same to M^{r}. May, since appointed a Measurer

shown M^{r}. Nazro —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to desire M^{r}. Vinals attendance at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday Afternoon —

gave M^{r}. Nazro —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 3^{d}. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Andrews, Boardman, Walley Price —

Upon a Report of Capt. Laha respecting the state of the Ship Nonpariel directed that he begin to Morrow to smoke & air the hold & between Decks of said Ship together with such of her Cargo that he may suppose to be liable to infection & to continue it for four Days successively, & in case any of the passengers or Saylers should be dismissed from said Ship he is to be exceedingly careful to see that their Clothing & Baggage as well as themselves be thoroughly cleaned & smoked before they be suffered to depart of all which he is to make Report to the Selectmen & receive their further orders —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 8. 1788 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman,

Capt. Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsford Island attended & Reports that he has fully complyed with the Orders of the Selectmen in smoaking & cleansing Capt. Cushings Ship for four Days successively, and also this Day in addition to his Orders, and that in his Opinion said Ship may be permitted to come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants as to Small Pox —

Having considered the Report of Cap. Laha respecting the cleansing airing & smoking of said Ship who gives it [**100.**] as his Opinion that said Ship is entirely free from any Infection, and that she may come up to Town with the utmost safety to the Inhabitants in regard to any Infection remaining on Board — whereupon Capt. Laha was directed to permit the said Ship Nonpariel to come up into the Harbour and to Anchor off the Long Wharfe, in the Stream, when D^{r}. Jarvis together with D^{r}. Appleton will visit her And if they Judge expedient are to direct another smoaking,

or any other measure they may think necessary & make Report to the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 9. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Andrews, Boardman,

The Selectmen this Day certified that Ann Coppinger was the Mother of Stephen Coppinger, deceased, late Quarter Master, Sergeant in Col^{o}. Voses Regiment, and that in their Opinion the said Ann Coppinger is the proper Person to receive what may be due to the said Stephen, for his Wages

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to require M^{r}. Newmans attendance at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday, as also his own Wife (acquainted him)

Mem^{o}. returned M^{r}. Tuckermans Deed by M^{r}. Nazro —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 16. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Andrews, Boardman, Seaver,

A Letter wrote Capt. Laha, permitting him to give the Ship Nonpariel a safe situation off the Long Wharff the outside of the other shipping, the Season being very tempestuous, and large Bodys of Ice floating in the Harbour —

[**101.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 23^{d}. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Sever, Boardman, Andrews,

Jurymen elected & drawn, and entred in the Jury Books —

M^{r}. Vinal attended, and the Selectmen will consider the matter he was acquainted with next Wednesday

The Committee Appointed June 6. Reported that the Rent of the Labratory to be twenty pounds p Annum to commence the next Quarter after the said 6th. June sent M^{r}. Boyer

The Comm^{ee}. on North Battery Report — That they have agreed with M^{r}. John Lambert that in case he takes care of the North Battery so called by endeavouring to prevent the Timber & Stones being stolen & Collect the Money arising for Wharfage & account with the Treasurer for the same, that he shall be allowed therefor thirty-six Shillings p Annum which Report was accepted by the Selectmen — sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 28. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Boardman, Sever,

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charge Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1 —	10 —	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3 —	0 —	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4 —	0 —	0
Biskets of three Coppers price	must weigh		— 14 —	4

Passed upon Accounts

[**102.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 30 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to require the attendance of M^{r}. Newman & his Wife at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday

M^{r}. Nazro inform'd

The Selectmen having been appointed by the Town to consider of a proper allowance to the Constables for services performed — have agreed upon the following rates — Viz^{t}. —

For Warning Town Meetings each Ward	— 2/ p W
For attending Town Meetings 2 to attend	— 3/ p Day
For carrying Persons out of Town into Roxbury & Charlestown with charges 3	— for each
For attending Town Meetings on Oration Days	— 3/ p Day
For warning Town Officers to be sworn	— 3^{d}. each Man
For attending Overseers & Selectmen in Visiting Wards	— 3/ p Day
For any Extra services, to be allowed in proportion	sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 6. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Seaver, Price,

Timothy Pease Junr. having been chosen Master of Engine N°. 5. in the room of John Holland was approved of by the Selectmen —

An Order given to M^{r}. Partridge to receive one Adam an aged Negro into the Alms house —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 13th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Dorr, Tyler,

[**103.**] The Selectmen have agreed to have the following Articles inserted in the Warrant for next March Meeting — Viz^{t}. —

"Whether the Town will make any alteration in the Moderator & Selectmens Seat in Faneuil Hall." "Whether the Town will take measures relative to the Signs projecting so far into the Streets" — see blue Minute Book — also an Article relative to the Names of some Streets —

M^{r}. Boardman appointed in the room of M^{r}. Andrews, with M^{r}. Walley before appointed, to see D^{r}. Bulfinch, & enquire of him respect^{g}. the Watchhouse &^{c}. —

Capt. Tyler & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to enquire of Capt. Brown whether the Engine House shall remain on his Land free of Rent — as M^{rs}. Rowe will permit it to be placed on her Land in case M^{r}. Brown declines it —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 20. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Walley,

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation June 8th. £2–16–1 — & October 16th. £2–2 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

Mrs. Dyke	£ — 12 —		
Mr. Brightman	— 12 —		
Mrs. Reed	— 12 —		
Mrs. Geyer	— 12 —		
Mrs. Francis	— 6 —		
Mrs. Delaplace	— 2 — 1		
		£2 — 16 — 1d	
Mrs. Francis		£ — 6 —	
Mrs. Brightman		— 6 —	
Mrs. Lowell		— 12 —	
Mrs. Usher		— 6 —	
Mrs. Reed		— 6 —	
Mrs. Delaplace		— 6 —	
			£2 — 2

Mr. Robert Partridge approved of by the Selectmen as [**104.**] An Engine Man for Capt. Daniel Lilley who has left said Engine

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 25. 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Boardman, Price, Tyler, Brown,

Mr. Sever having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation October 10th. 1787 — £1 — 19 — the same was distributed as follows Vizt.

Widow Susannah Stevens	£ — 8 — 2	
Widow Eayers	— 8 — 2	
Mrs. Molly Rice	— 6 —	
Mrs. Benjamin Clark	— 6 —	
Widow Steward	— 6 —	
Widow Barker	— 4 — 8	
		£1 — 19

Passed upon Accounts —

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	lb	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh—	1	10	8
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh	3	0	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of three Coppers price		14	4

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Price, Boardman, Tyler, Sever, Walley,

Mr. Thomas Walley having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation £2 — 12 — 6 on the 13th. of April 1787 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

Mrs. Delaplace, (Widow)	£ — 12 —	
Mrs. Phillips aged & sick	— 6 —	
Widow Perkins	— 6 —	
Mrs. Jackson. aged & sick	— 6 —	
Mrs. Hide sick & poor	— 6 —	
Widow Perkins	— 6 —	
Mrs. Butler aged & sick	— 6 —	
Mrs. Delaplace (Widow)	4 — 6	
		£2 — 12 — 6

[**105.**] Mr. Walley having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation the 8th. of June last £2 — 10 — the same was distributed as folows — Vizt. —

To Mrs. Soper	£ — 6 —	
To Mrs. Jackson	— 3 —	
B. Nichols poor	— 3 —	
Mrs. Delaplace (Widow)	— 18 —	
Mrs. Hyde	— 8 —	
Mrs. Jackson	— 6 —	
Mrs. Perkins	— 6 —	
		£2 — 10 —

Deacon Bordman having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation at three several times — Vizt. — 1787 April 13th. £2 - 12 — June 8 — £2–6–8 October 10. £1–17–2d. making in the whole —£6 - 15 — 10d — the same was distributed to the following Persons — Vizt. —

To Mrs. Ridgway —	at 3 times	£1	11 — 6
Mrs. Scott			6 — 8
Mrs. Low			17 —
Mrs. Uran	at 3 times	1 —	8
Mrs. Ross	at 3 times	1 —	3
Mrs. Brown			13 — 4
Mrs. Pain			12 —
Mrs. Glover	at twice	—	10 —
Mrs. Hopkins			10 — 8
			£7 — 12 — 2d.

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 29th. 1788 — Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Boardman Price,

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 10th. of March Inst. 10. OClock A : M : for the choice of Town Officers —

Messrs: Fleets to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Peirce a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Belknap and request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer —

On the Request of a number of the Inhabitants of the So. part of the Town that a new School may be established for the accommodation of the Youth there — agreed that an Article be inserted therefor in the Warrant for March Meeting —

[**106.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 3d. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Walley,

The Town Clerk directed to make additions to the Warrant for Town Meeting, & the same having been made and read — it was then sent to the Constables, who are to be informed that their pay for the trouble of Warning, will depend upon their care & faithfulness therein —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5 — 1788
Present Messrs: Sever, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman Scollay, Price,

M^{r}. Price having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation Octo^{r}. 10: & 17 — 1787 — £1 — 8 — 9 — & £— 18 — in y^{e}. whole £2 — 6 — 9 the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To y^{e}. Widow Susanna Stevens	£— 18 — 8	
Widow Foster	— 6 — 0	
Widow Rouse	— 6 — 0	
Widow Thorp	— 3 — 0	
Widow Rouse	6 — 8	
Widow Brown	6 — 8	
	———	£2 — 7 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 12. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Andrews, Walley, Sever,

The Selectmen agreably to a Vote of the Town passed the 10th. Instant, have for the accommodation of the Youth of the South part of the Town, agreed with M^{r}. Eben^{r}. Dorr as a Committee from the Proprietors to hire said Proprietors School at the South End, at the rate of Twelve Pounds p Annum for the present — a Schoolmaster hereafter to be appointed —

The Committee to confer with D^{r}. Bulfinch relative to his Land on which stands an Engine & Watch House — Reported & the same was accepted & ordered to be entered on the Town Records of Deeds &^{c}. —

[**107.**] Martin Perkins appointed one of the Chimney Sweepers for this Town, and a Badge N°. 10. — was delivered him by the Selectmen, he resides in Frog Lane —

M^{r}. Brown appointed to examine the Accounts of Capt. Samuel Partridge Keeper of the Alms house so far as relates to the State Poor —

M^{r}. Elisha Ticknor is appointed by the Selectmen Master of the Writing School in Pleasant Street this Day hired of the Proprietors of said School, he having applied to them for that purpose — he was acquainted, that the Selectmen would give Notice when he was to be inducted as Master of a public School — agreably to a late Vote of the Town —

The Business enjoin'd the Selectmen at the late Meeting, was laid before the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 14. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Dorr, Walley, Price, Browne —

William Ruggles approbated as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his House in Marlborough Street —

Oaths administred by the Town Clerk to sundry Town Officers

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 19. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Dorr, Walley, Price,

Capt. Tim^{o}. Pease of Engine N. 5. applies for the Premium

allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the late Fire at Mr. Davis's House —

which was granted by the Selectmen drawn for

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Andrews a Committee to examine the By Laws & Report what alterations or additions they think proper to Report the same to the Selectmen in order if they are approved to be laid before the Commc. of Revision —

[108.] It is the direction of the Selectmen, that the Officers of the Police, Visit frequently, their several Wards, in order to discover the Strangers that come into Town, & if they are not satisfied with the Account they give of themselves — to order them to depart the Town immediately, to prevent their being sent out by a Constable — and that they Report their doings to the Selectmen as on other matters — sent p Mr. Nazro

Agreed to consider the Warrant for the Meeting in April next Wednesday next — & Mr. Nazro is to warn the Inspectors of the Police to attend at the Chamber next Wednesday —

Mr. Newmans affair to be taken up next Wednesday —

Voted, that Revd. Mr. Wights Bell be rung at the Expence of the Town at the Hours of 11 — 1 — & 9 in the Evening —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 24. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Brown, Tyler, Boardman —

Met the Justices & Overseers of the Poor when a walk or Visitation of the Town was agreed upon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 26. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Thwing, Sever, Scollay, Walley, Andrews, Brown Price

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on the 1st. Monday of April next being the 7th. Day of said Month, for the choice of Governor &c. —

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Sever — a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Parker — & to request his opening the Meeting with Prayer —

[109.] Mr. Russell Printer — to have the printing the Notifications for said Meeting — provided he print the Assizes in his Papers

Three Petit Jurors to be drawn out of the Superior Box —

Mr. Newman Constable of the Watch at New Boston & one of the Funeral Undertakers, attended — when he was acquainted by the Selectmen, that they should suspend for one month, their acting upon any complaints which have been laid before them relative to his Character — & in which time he is upon his good behavior

That the Butchers improving Stalls on the Market floor pay at the rate of Twelve pounds p Annum for all the double Stalls except Nos. 2 & 10 No. 13 & 21 which are to be at the rate of Eight pounds p Annum the Rent for which rates are to Commence the 1st. Instant

and the Treasurer is likewise directed to make out a bill to Mr. Ingerfield for two years Rent of the Stalls he now improves

at the North East End of the Market floor at the rate of five pounds p^{r}. Annum & to Continue such rent so long as he may improve the same — upon further Consideration the two double Stalls N°. 2 & 10 N°. 13 & 21 are affix'd at Six pounds p Annum.
sent Treasurer

Peter Spring approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his House in Purchase Street —

On a Petition of a number of the Inhabitants for a new Street to enter into Sudbury Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 27. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Dorr,

The State of the several Wards as taken by the Visiters of those Wards, were returned to the Selectmen, and said Returns with the other Papers, placed upon the Files of mix'd Papers for the present Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 31. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Boardman, Brown,

Passed upon Accounts —

[**110.**] *Ordered*, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat & $\frac{1}{2}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	must weigh		4	12
Biskets of 3 Copper price-allowed April 9 d^{o}.		–	9	8

The Selectmen have directed that what Gravel is necessary be laid on the Street by Governor Hancock's House M^{r}. Price a Committee to give the necessary directions therefor

Capt. Lovering of Engine N°. 8 applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at Widow Cranes House in Pleasant Street — drawn for

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to make Dayly entries of the Monies he receives of the Market People & to lay those Accounts before the Selectmen monthly — shown Nazro

M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to examine the Accounts of M^{r}. Scollay, for writing & other services —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 2^{d}. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Boardman, Walley,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Committee to provide a place for the North Engine House to be removed — Reported, that Col^{o}. Procter & M^{r}. Savage are willing that said Engine N°. 1. should be placed on a vacant piece of Land near North Square free of charge — the Land belonging formerly to Mulligan —

Upon the resignation of Capt. Parke a Weigher of Onions; and on the Application of Capt. John Ballard, — the said Ballard is appointed to the Office of a weigher of Onions in the Town of Boston, — and has been sworn to the faithful discharge of his trust as the Law directs

[**111.**] The Selectmen have this Day, fixed the Rent of the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market — Viz^{t}. — And let them as hereunder — Viz^{t}. —

Warner	Stalls N°.	1 & 11	£12 — p Annum
Faxon		2 & 10	6 — p d°.
Saunders		3 & 9	12 — p d°.
Dueck		4 & 8	12 — p d°.
Wilson		5 & 7	12 — p d°.
Ingerfield		6	5 — p d°.
Wheaton		12. 13	18 — p d°.
Wheaton		21. 22	
Warner		14 & 20	12 — p d°.
Baldwin		15 & 19	12 — p d°.
Fuller		16.17.18	17 — p d°.

Molly Cutler of Medford, Nurse to Robert Jones a Child fourteen Months old, Son to Robert Jones a Stranger — attended when it was agreed by the Selectmen, with said Molly to take good care of the Child free of all other Expence at four Shillings p Week at the charge of the Commonwealth —

The Vote relative to the back Rent, M^{r}. Ingerfield was to pay for Stall N. 6. in the Market House is reconsidered, and his Rent is now to stand at £5 — p Annum, and to commence at the first of March last — Treasurer inform'd

Capt. Samuel Ballard having offered One hundred thirty three Pounds p Annum for the Hay Engine, which is the highest Sum that has been offered by any Person the Selectmen suppose capable of the business, the Selectmen have appointed him Hay Weigher on the above Rent to commence at the expiration of the last term — the Conditions the same as the last Year —

sent p Nazro —

The Selectmen have appointed, Tuesday next in the Forenoon for Inducting M^{r}. Ticknor in the Master of the South Writing School —

[**112.**] The Assessors were informed in Writing that it is the wish of the Selectmen that the Assessors would decline acting upon or assessing the Tax that may be handed to them by the State Treasurer, untill the Town Tax is determined upon next month

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 9. 1788 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Walley,

On the Yesterday, the Selectmen proceeded to the Town School at the South part of Boston; and Inducted Elisha Ticknor as Master of said School —

Joab Hunt of Engine N. 2. having applied to the Selectmen for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to

work first at the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Hammonds? in Back Street —

Voted, that he have a draught for 28/ the next Draught Day — drawn for

Mr. Scollay having received of Mr. John Sweetser being part of Brookers Donation — £4 — the same was given to the several Selectmen to be them distributed according to the Will of the Doner — Vizt. —

		s	d	
Mr. Dorr	£0	13	4	— see July 14 —
Capt. Tyler	0	13	4	see July 30 —
Mr. Andrews	0	13	4	see Septemr. 24
Mr. Bowman	0	12	0	see Feby. 4, 1789
Mr. Sever	0	12	0	see June 4th.
Mr. Price	0	10	0	
Mr. Scollay	0	6	0	gave Mr. Francis —
		£4		

It is agreed with Mr. Hamlin Hayward, to procure two good Bulls in addition to the one he now has, at his own charge and to keep them well & free of any Expence to the Town — and public Information is to be given the Inhabitants, that their respective Cows may be served by said Bull, at a Dollar for each Cow, & if it proves inefectual, they are to be again served, without any additional Charge —

[**113.**] The Order relative to Biskets is so far reconsidered as that two Copper Biskets, are permitted to be offered for Sale the weight of which must be — $^{oz}_{9}$ — $^{dr}_{8}$ —

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Andrews a Committee to confer with Mr. Austin an Overseer relative to Mrs. Smith & her Children —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 16th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Brown, Price, Tyler, Andrews,

On the 11th. of April Inst. Capt. Laha informed of the arrival of the Schooner Betsy from Guadaloupe David Bray Master belonging to Boston, who had a Man died on board with the Small Pox the Night of the 9th. Inst. & buried the 10th. at Rainsfords Island, her Cargo consisting principally of Molasses with some Sugar but no Cotton or other Articles liable to retain Infection — Capt. Laha had proceeded to the cleaning of her & gave it as his Opinion that she might come to Town with safety the 13th. — and as the leakiness of his Boat made it inconvenient for him to come up to Town again upon business, he obtained leave to dismiss the Schooner on Sunday unless information should turn up that might make it necessary to detain her longer.

The Committee for removing the North Square Engine House Reported, that it is incapable of being removed, whereupon, they are desired by the Selectmen to agree with some suitable Person, for the building a new one — Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler the Committee —

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Walley a Committee to subscribe for one or

two sets of the Laws of this Commonwealth now reprinting by Adams & Nourse

Mr. Seaver appointed in the room of Mr. Brown for for examining the Accompts of Capt. Samuel Partridge the Keeper of the Alms house —

Mr. Scollay, Mr. Walley, & Deacon Boardman a Committee to view Battery March & also the Well on top of Forthill & Report thereon next Wednesday —

[**114.**] A Certificate was given Abigail Clap late Abigail Grant & Wife to Patrick Grant a late Soldier in the three months service, in 1781 — of William Birds Compy. in Colo. Webbs Regiment; that from the best information they could obtain, she is the proper Person in their Opinion to receive what wages may be due to the said Patrick while in the service, — Certificate from Capt. Bird on file —

Mr. Price & Mr. Walley a Committee to take the Opinion of Mr. Sullivan & Mr. Mason, whether the Selectmen can legally dispose of the Land lately recovered of Mr. Cunningham near the Green Dragon provided any part of it is high way — and if they are of opinion that it may be done, then that the Selectmen proceed in the Sale thereof agreably to the late Vote of the Town —

Mr. Dinsdale & Capt. Downe have liberty to improve the head of the Towns Slip that lyes between them provided they build up the head & keep the Water Course clear — if one should decline, the other may have the whole privilege —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 22d. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price, Walley, Tyler, Boardman, Andrews, Sever,

Mr. Scollay having received of Jededia Leithe Eight Dollars of Mrs. Brooker Donation the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

		s	d	
Mr. Dorr	£0	6/	0	see July 14th.
Capt. Tyler	0	6	0	30th.
Mr. Sever	0	6	0	see June 4.
Mr. Walley	0	18	0	see Feby. 18th.
Mr. Scollay	0	12	0	gave Mrs. Dyke 6/
				Mrs. Usher 6/

Mr. Price having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation April 9. Inst. 10/ — gave the same as follows — vizt. —

To the Widow McElroy	3/
Widow Rouse	4/
Widow Lee	3/
	£ — 10 —

[**115.**] The Selectmen have agreed, that next Tuesday 4 OClock P: M: be assigned to repair to the bottom of Sudbury Street leading separate Lane, to consider the expediency of laying out a Street, agreably to the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants therefor —

The Town Clerk is directed to make out a List of the licensed Auchtioneers, and mark against such as have given Bond, and

deliver the same together with their Bonds to the State Treasurer; and make a Record of the same in his Books --

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 28. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Price, Andrews,

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/ 6 p Bushel and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz—	d
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price,	must weigh		4	12
Biskets of two Copper price,	must weigh		9	8

The following is a true Copy of what has been handed in to the State Treasurer the 24th. of April Instant Viz^{t}. —

[**116.**] List of the Licensed Auchtioneers for 1787 —

Edward Procter Esq.	Bond delivered the Treasurer
Lewis Hoyt	ditto --
John Badger	d^{o}.
Thomas Kilbey Jones	d^{o}.
Russel & Clap	d^{o}.
John Symms	d^{o}
Peter Green	d^{o}.
John Kneeland	has not given Bond
Joshua Eaton	d^{o}.
William Greanleaff Esq.	d^{o}.
John Jutau	d^{o}.
Elias Parkman	d^{o}.

Capt. Tyler & M^{rs}. Dorr, having waited on M^{rs}. Lobb agreably to their appointment, Report vizt. — That M^{rs}. Lobb rather than the Watch house hired of her, should be removed consents that after July next, when the Year will be up the Rent should be Four Pounds p Annum --

M^{r}. Benj^{a}. Henderson having produced the several Treasurers Receits, — State, County & Town Treasurers Reciets in full for the Moneys Committed to him to Collect of the Inhabitants of the Town for the Year 1786 -- the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up his Bond, for said Year — & the same was delivered him accordingly —

M^{r}. John Harris approved of as a Watchman in Constable Tilestons Watch in the room of William Sharp

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Price, Boardman, Sever, Andrews,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Town Clerks Accompt of the Moneys received for Whale & Auchtioneers Certificates, &^{c}. is on the file of mixed Papers —

[**117.**] M^{r}. Benjamin Loring appointed an Inspector of of Barrel'd pickeld Fish Pork & Beef for the Port of Boston, being

recommended to the Selectmen as a suitable Person for that trust — and was sworn to the faithful discharge thereof by Ezekiel Price Esq.

The Selectmen agree to give a Release of the Land mentioned in the Verdict of the Jury in the case against Mrs. Bartlet on Condition that Mr. Cunningham pay the Town Treasurer the Sum of two hundred pounds & produce the Treasurers Receipt of the same — sent —

The Selectmen have made choice of Harry Gray Otis Esq. for the delivery of an Oration on the 4th. of July next, agreably to a Vote of the Town, —

Mr. Price & Mr. Andrews a Committee to wait on Harry G. Otis Esq. for the purpose aforesaid --

From the Representation of a number of the respectable Inhabitants. Mrs. Elizabeth Finnecy was recommended to the Gentlemen Selectmen of Cambridge as a Person of sober behavior, suitably qualified and provided for the exercise of the employment of a Taverner or Retailer of Spirituous Liquors --

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Sever,

Town Clerk to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of Representatives &c. on Tuesday the 13th. Day of May Instr. 10. O'Clock Forenoon —

Mr. Tyler, & Mr. Dorr a Committee to wait on Revd. Mr. Montague and desire him to open the Town Meeting with Prayer — — he being out of Town Mr. Geyer, officiated in his room —

Messrs. Adams & Nourse to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Meeting —

Mr. Elkanah Hawkes approved of by the Selectmen for the keeping a school in this Town for the Instruction of Youth in Writing &c.

sent —

[**118.**] Mr. Nazro directed to call upon Constable Smith to attend with one other Constable, at the ensuing Town meeting — sent p Nazro

The selectmen have agreed if approved of by the Selectmen of Roxbury, to attend at said Town on Tuesday the 20th of May Instt. 11 oclock A:M: in order to proceed agreably to a late Law, ascertaining the Boundary Line betwixt the Towns of Boston & Roxbury — and the Town Clerk is directed to acquaint the Gentlemen Selectmen of Roxbury, with this proposal —

Letter sent —

The Officers of the Police are directed to make a Weekly return to the Selectmen of the names of all the Strangers &c. that come into this Town by Water

sent p Nazro —

Master Vinal acquaints the Selectmen that his Son resign'd as Usher of the South Writing School, the first of May Instt. — and proposed Dudley Walker as a suitable Person to succeed him —

Mr. Sever appointed anew to the care of the Rails & Fences on the Towns Land near the Common —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 14. 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Sever,

From the representation of Capt. Laha respecting the Sloop Friendship Capt. Cornelius Fellows from Charlestown S^{o}. Carolina which had two Men & a Boy on board with the Small Pox, — it appears, that he had thoroughly cleansed & smoked said Vessel so as that she might come up to Town with safety the sick Persons with all their Clothing &^{c}. having been taken out Capt. Laha was directed to permit said Vessel to come up to Town accordingly taking special care that the Infectious Persons be not permitted to leave the Island, untill they were well & thoroughly cleansed —

Voted, that the Shop now improved by M^{r}. Morse be reduced in the Rent to thirty two pounds p Annum said Rate commence from the 1st. April last —

[**119.**] That the Store or Shop now improved by William Dawes and John Cooledge which heretofore was at £45 — Rent be reduced to £40 — said Dawes paying at the rate of £26–13–4 p Annum for the part he improves & Cooledge £13–6–8 for the front part of said Shop, now occupied by him — sent p M^{r}. Nazro —

Adam Truman, approved by the Selectmen as a suitable Person for a retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Middle Street near Beer Lane — Certificate drawn

M^{r}. Dudley Walker attended, and was approved of by the Selectmen as an Usher for Master Vinals Writing School —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 20th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Seaver

Agreable to the proposals made the Selectmen of Roxbury on the 7th. of May Ins^{t}. to ascertain the Boundary Line betwixt the Towns of Boston & Roxbury, & agreably to a late Law for that purpose — The Selectmen of this Town met the Selectmen of Roxbury, and after finishing their Business Agreed upon the following Return — Viz^{t}. —

Pursuant to *Agreement* — We the Subscribers met on this twentieth Day of May Anno Domini 1788 — at the place appointed & run the Line & renewed the Bound Marks between the Towns of Boston & Roxbury as follows — to wit —

Begining at the Mouth of the Creek which opens into the Bay leading to Cambridge, and as the Creek runs untill it comes in a range with the Fence & Trees between the Land now occupied by the Widow Susannah Davis formerly John Richardsons Esq. and the Land now belonging to the Heirs of Samuel Wells Esq. deceased, formerly M^{r}. Minots, then across the Street or High Way untill it comes to a large Stone standing end ways in the Fence on the Easterly side of said Street or High Way, and from thence South 43 Degrees East to a large Stone standing end way in [**120.**] the Ground about eighty Feet from the said Street or High Way marked B on the Easterly side and R on the Westerly side, and from thence the same course to a large Stone standing in the Meadow, marked B on the Northwesterly side — and R on the Southeasterly side — from thence turning and running North 58

Degrees East by a strait Line untill it comes to a Stone affixed in Lambs Damn (so called) and from thence to the Creek, and as said Creek runs into the Bay between the towns of Boston and Dorchester) —

Thomas Clark, Jas: Ruggles, John Read — Selectmen of Roxbury.

John Scollay, Harbottle Dorr, Ezek^l. Price, Edward Tyler, John Andrews, William Boardman, Ebenezer Seaver — Selectmen of Boston.

Mem^o. the Original of the above is placed on the Files of mix'd Papers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 21st. 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Seaver

It being the Adjournment of May Meeting this Day, the business of the Town required the attendance of the Selectmen untill near the close of the Day —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 26th. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Andrews, Price, Seaver,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12^d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t. —

		lbs.	oz.	dr.
a 4^d. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^d. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	0	0
a 4^d. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	must weigh	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	must weigh	—	4	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price	must weigh	—	9	8

[**121.**] Passed upon Accounts —

M^r. Christopher Brazier & M^r. Jonathan Kinney, pray that they may be employ'd as Pavers —

M^r. Dorr & Capt. Tyler, a Committee for the purpose of directing as to the removing, rebuilding or repairing the Engine House standing near D^r. Mathers Church to apeice of Land in Back Street owned by the Proprietors of M^r. Geyers Church —

Voted, that M^r. Homer repair the Pavement in Ann Street near Draw Bridge fifty Yards and no more

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 4th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Seaver, Boardman, Andrews, Price,

The Town Clerk is directed to acquaint the Constables that it is the request & desire of the Selectmen, that they would walk on the Lords Day, taking with them some of the Inhabitants, in order to prevent the disorders that frequently happen on those Days the good effect of such exertions having been formerly experienced.

sent —

It is agreed by the Selectmen that Mr. Joshua Brackett have a Tomb in the Common Burial Ground which is now caved in, & in a ruinous condition, he defraying the Expence of repairing the same — Conditioned that when an Owner or Owners appear, he shall deliver up the said Tomb, he or they reimbursting him for the charge of said Repairs and any other Repairs that may be necessary — sent —

Mr. Constable Edmonds informs the Selectmen that agreable to a Vote of the Town lessening the Watch, he has dismissed Mr. Silas Ramsdel one of his Company, and that no duty has been performed by him as a Watchman since the first of June Inst. —

Mr. Constable Newman of the new Boston Watch [**122.**] acquaints the Selectmen, that he has conformable to a late Order of the Town, dismissed Mr. John Sinclair as a Watchman the first of June Inst. —

Passed upon Capt. Samuel Partridge Keeper of the Alms house his two Accompts with the Commonwealth amounting to £2171 19 — & £111. 3. 3d. — as p Copies on file —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Walley a Committee to confer with Mr. Mead, relative to the works carrying on, on the Neck for making Bricks &c. —

Mr. Seaver having received of Brookers Donation on the 9th. & 22d. of April last £ – 18 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

The Widow Sterns	£ — 6 — d	
Widow Steword	— 3 — 7	
Widow Barker	— 2 — 5	
Widow Scott	— 3 —	
Mrs. Molly Rice	— 3 —	£ — 18 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Seaver,

Major Heath prays that he may be one of those who shall be employ'd in paving the public Streets —

Mr. Tayler and Capt. Cartwrighter, to each of whom have been lent Money part of Mrs. Brookers Donation to poor Widows, have been informed by Letter that unless the whole Interest due from them is immediately paid — their respective Mortgages will be put in suit without further delay —

Next Wednesday is assign'd for taking into consideration the repairs of a number of Streets, agreable to a Vote of the Town —

[**123.**] Mr. Ebenezer Barrel approved of as an Inholder in the House in Wing Lane lately kept as a Tavern by Mr. James Welsh removed —

The Selectmen have agreed to visit Deer Island on Tuesday next being the 17th. of June Inst. —

Mr. Sever a Committee to let the Pasture which was Mr. Fosters — Mr. Andrews added to the Committee —

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Boardman a Committee to direct the Repairs of Street near Merchants Row — also at the bottom of Wings Lane —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 14. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews Boardman,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 17. 1788 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Seaver, Tyler, Andrews Walley

Visited Deer Island in Company with a number of Gentlemen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 18. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price Tyler Brown, Andrews, Sever Boardman

Peter Richardson approved of being Licensed as an Inholder at his House on the Neck where the George Tavern lately stood —

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{r}. Tayler part of the Interest due on M^{rs}. Brookers Donation amounting to £4–10 —

The same was distributed to the following Selectmen to be disposed of to such Widows &^{c}. as they Judge proper — Viz^{t}. —

[**124.**] To M^{r}. Dorr £1 — 10 — see July 14th.
To M^{r}. Brown 1 — 10 — see Septem^{r}. 10th.
To Deacon Boardman 1 — 10 — see Feby. 4 1789
——— £4 — 10

M^{r}. Brown having received out of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation — Viz^{t}. —

April 13. 1787	£2 — 12—6
June 1787	2 — 10
October 1787	1 — 4
	— 12
	——— £6 — 18 — 6

The same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To M^{rs}. Oulton, at different times	£3 – 16 – 8
M^{rs}. Brown d^{o}.	1 – 11 – 4
Widow Jenkins	– 3 – 4
Widow Dawes at several times	– 18 – 0
Widow Hussom	– 9 – 0
	——— £6 – 18 – 4

Capt. Cushing of Engine N°. 7 having resigned on account of Bodily Infirmities his charge as Master of said Engine M^{r}. Edmund Ranger was appointed Master thereof in his stead — being chosen by the said Company —

M^{r}. Edward Tuckerman is to repair Castle Street at the S^{o}. part of the Town for which he is to be allowed ten Dollars — M^{r}. Brown & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to see that said Repairs are made to their satisfaction

M^{r}. Andrews Joined with M^{r}. Sever as a Committee relative to Fosters Pasture — see June 11

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25th. 1788 — Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Tyler, [*sic*] Sever, Boardman, Andrews,

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to acquaint the several Sextons, that it is the direction of the Selectmen that the Bells of the Town shall not be rang on any public Occasion or Cause of Joy untill permission

is first obtain'd [**125.**] from them therefor, and at no time to begin untill Six O Clock in y^e^. Morning or to continue ringing for more than two hours — sent

M^r^. Dorr & M^r^. Andrews & Deacon Boardman a Comm^e^ to order repairs to the Engine House on the Mill Bridge

Deacon Boardman & Capt. Tyler a Committee to direct the removal of the Engine House from the Town Dock to the Draw Bridge —

M^r^. Dorr & M^r^. Tyler a Comm^ee^. to direct as to the White-washing of the North School Houses, if it shall appear to them necessary —

Deacon Boardman & M^r^. Dorr & M^r^. Walley a Committee to make enquiry with respect to the Reports, that but few Scholars attend M^r^. Davis School, for learning Lattin the others attending for learning reading only —

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 4th. of July next 9 O Clock A : M : the Day on which Independence was declared, Anno 1766 [*sic*] — but no Notifications are to be printed —

M^r^. Scollay appointed to assist the Clerk in the publishing the Names of the Streets, not before printed

The Selectmen have agreed to attend the Visitation of the Schools on Wednesday the 9th. Day of July next & the several Masters are to be informed thereof —

M^r^. Scollay having received of William Tayler of M^rs^. Brookers Donation thirty Shillings — the same was distributed by M^r^. Scollay — Viz^t^. —

To M^rs^. Brightman	£ – 6 –	
M^rs^. Francis	– 6 –	
M^rs^. Dyke	– 6 –	
M^rs^. Usher	– 6 –	
To M^rs^. Mullens	– 6 –	
		£ 1–10 —

M^r^. Scollay Andrews & M^r^. Sever a Comm^ee^. to prevent Beacon Hill being damaged by Gullies &^c^. —

[**126.**] Boston Ss : At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 30th. 1788 — Present Messrs : Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Price, Andrews, Brown Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at $^5/_6$ p Bushel and that 12^d^. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t^. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^d^. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	d^o^.	3	0	0
a 4^d^. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	d^o^.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Coppers price	must weigh	–	4	12
Biskets of two Coppers price	d^o^.	–	9	8

The Committee appointed by the Board to Report amendments of the By Laws &^c^. to be communicated to the Committee ap-

pointed by the Town — Reported; which Report was transmitted to Col°. Crafts, Chairman of the Towns Committee —

M^r. Edward Weld as an Inspector of the Police to have for the last Year — £30 — deduct Fines he received £2 — he to have a draft for £28 — the balance

Mr. Christopher Clark an Inspector to have £20 for last year.

Thomas Beals approbated as an Inholder for his House on Dock Square —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 2^d. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Walley Sever, Price,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Committee to visit Master Davis's School Reported that upon enquiry & examination they found those Reports to be entirely groundless —

[**127.**] Having passed Capt. Browns Account for Rent of Engine Capt. Tyler Reports that he had agreed with Capt. Brown, that no Rent shall be required for his Ground on which an Engine House stands, so long as an Engine remains thereon, from the time of said Settlement —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 14. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler & Andrews

M^r. John Baker acquaints the Selectmen, that his Wife in his House at Prince Street has the Symptoms of the Small Pox;

At the request of the Selectmen D^r. Danforth Doct^r. Rand & D^r. Kast visited the above nam'd M^rs. Baker & are of the opinion that it will be for the Safety of the Town to have the whole family consist^g. of her husband, Jn° Baker, together with her & her Six Children remov'd to the Hospital at New Boston, as they are very apprehensive that her complaint is the Small Pox —

M^r. Nazro directed to see them remov'd forthwith & provide them with such necessaries as they may Stand in immediate need of — and call upon D^r. Appleton to attend them.

M^r. Scollay, M^r. Dorr, Capt. Tyler, & M^r. Andrews a Committee to enquire respecting the fee of a piece of land on which a shed was built by James Butler, Hatter, some years since in Prince Street, on the Corner leading to the Mills — and whether it will be eligible to lease the same to Jonas Welsh who improves the Mills, on Condition that he continues or builds a stone conveyance for y^e. Water & preserves the same in good order, free from the nuisances at present subject to —

M^r. Dorr & Capt. Tyler be a Committee to make such repairs to the Congress Engine N°. 2 as may be necessary —

The Visitation of the *Schools* being attended to on the 9th instant — the Selectmen found them in good order, and were pleas'd with the performance exhibited by the Scholars —

M^r. Dorr having received Brookers Donation the following Sums as entered April the 9th Last, April 22^d & June 18th Last

Viz^t., 13/4 6/ & 30/	£2 – 9 – 4
& April 28 Last	– 6
	2 – 15 – 4

Mr. Dorr Distributed the same as follows to Vizt.

[**128.**] Mr. Dorr Distributed of Mrs. Brookers Donation as follows to Vizt.

To Susanah Pike	£0 – 6 – 8	
To the Widow Abigail Tyler	– 4 – 8	
To the Widow Ann Coppinger	– 2 – 0	
	———	£0 – 13 – 4
To Edward Ireland Poor & Sick	– 3 – 0	
To the Widow Pricilla White	– 3 – 0	
	———	0 – 6 –
To Susanna Pike a Sick Person	– 6 –	
To the Widow Abigail Tyler	– 6 –	
To the Widow Ann Coppinger	– 6 –	
To the Widow Elizabeth Stephens	– 6 –	
To Edward Ireland Poor & Sick	– 3 –	
To the Widow Pricilla White	– 3 –	
To Susannah Pike a Sick Person	– 6 –	
	———	1 – 10 —
		£ 2 – 15 – 4

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Boardman, Tyler, Andrews Walley,

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee to order Repairs to the Pavements of some Streets at the North End of the Town —

Next Wednesday assigned to appoint 12 Scavengers in the meantime each Gentleman is requested to think of some suitable Persons for each Ward —

Mr. Boardman & Mr. Sever a Committee to view the Passage Way or Dock leading between the Widow Pickman lately Blowers Wharff — and the Glass Works formerly Roberts Estate, and Report what may be necessary to be done, respecting the Head Wall —

Mr. Christoper Clark an Inspector of the Police appeared and acquainted the Selectmen that he declined serving in that Office any longer, as the pay allowed is in his Opinion insufficient for his services —

[**129.**] Mr. Thompson Collector applying for his Bonds for 1786. and having produced the several Treasurers Receits, the Town Clerk was directed to deliver up the same — and said Bond was accordingly delivered him —

Upon the application of Master Ticknor for an Assistant in his School — Voted, that William Bosson be appointed an Assistant accordingly & that he be allowed a Salary of thirty Pounds p Annum to be drawn for quarterly, said Salary to commence the first of July Inst.

The Selectmen passed upon the List of Inholders & Retailers for the last Year, and Certified the Court of Sessions accordingly

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/ 6^{d} p Bushel and that 12^{d} p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}. —

		lb	oz	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto 3/ 4 Wheat 1/ 4 Rye Meal	ditto	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above 1/ 2 Indian Meal	d^{o}.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh	d^{o}.	—	4	12
Biskets of two Copper price ditto			9	8

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30 [1788] Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Boardman, Walley, Price, Andrews, Seaver Brown

Passed upon Accounts —

[**130.**] Capt. Tyler having received of Brookers Donation 9th & 22^{d} — 3/ 4 — 6/ & of M^{r}. Scollay 6 / 1788 am^{o} to £1 – 5 – 4

The same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To the Widow Sarah Brick	£ – 6 –	
the Widow Coppinger	– 3 –	
the Widow Goodwin	3 – 4	
the Widow Whitel	– 3 – 4	
the Widow Abigail Tyler	– 6 –	
Edward Ireland — sick & infirm	– 3 – 8	
	———	£1 – 5 – 4

Upon the resignation of M^{r}. Christopher Clark as an Inspector of the Police — the Board proceeded to the choice of another Person to serve in that office — and M^{r}. Benjamin Homans being nominated by the Chairman he was accordingly chosen to that Office —

The Granary to be advertized for to be let

see below

M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to get the small Piece of Fence on School Street at the Chapel Burying Ground to be painted —

An Advertisement relative to the Granary sent to M^{r}. Edes for publication —

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Price a Committee to view the lower end of Water Street & Report the State of the Pavement

M^{r}. Andrews & Deacon Boardman a Committee to view the Royal Exchange Lane and Marshalls Lane and Report to the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Joseph Starr, appointed Constable of the Dock Watch who was informed that his continuance in Office would depend on his diligent faithful behavior

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 1. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Sever

[**131.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 5. 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Price, Tyler, Seaver, Walley, Boardman, Brown,

Had a conference with a Committee of the Proprietors of the

Long Wharff by their desire, in order to ascertain, how far the said Proprietors are to repair the Street from the head of the Long Wharff towards the Admiral Vernon Tavern so called

Voted, that Four pounds ten Shillings be allowed Mr. Henry Smith towards his repairing the Road near his House provided it be done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Voted, that the Man Woman & 6 Children sent to the Hospital at West Boston on suspicion of having the Small Pox be now dismissed from thence, as it is now out of doubt that they have not received the Infection —

sent

The Town Clerk directed to publish an Advertizement in Adams & Nourses Paper, to undeceive the Public with respect to the Reports circulated that the Small Pox is now in this Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt 6. 1788 Present Messrs: Tyler, Dorr, Scollay. Sever, Boardman, Brown, Walley Andrews, —

Jurors chosen & drawn —

Voted that £15 — be allowed unto Mr. Thomas Hill & others toward repairing the Street called Essex Street, provided it is done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Capt. Curtis applies to the Selectmen for liberty to dig a Well in Orange Street on the outside the Fence near Deacon Browns House which Pump will be for the use of the public in general —

Liberty was accordingly granted —

[132.] Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, & Walley a Committee to confer with Dr. Winship and others relative to the Engine House on the Mill Bridge —

The Selectmen have agreed to Visit Rainsford Island on Wednesday next — the Company to meet at Faneuil Hall at 8 oClock said Morning

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectment Augt. 15 1788 Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Price,

The Committee appointed the 14th of July last to examine into the fee of a certain peice of Land leading from Prince Street, and adjoining to the way leading to the Mills, supposed to have been encroached on by James Butler — Report That having duly examined into the Premisses, they took possession of the said Land, by walking over it, in behalf of the Town, Mr. John R. Sigorney being present, and directed Capt. Joseph Cunningham to take down a small Building erected on the said Land being an encroachment on the same, and remove the Fence agreably to the bounds prescribed by the Deed of his House, which he promissed to perform forthwith —

*N.B. The whole Committee present except Mr. Andrews, who could not attend at the Place encroached on

The Committee appointed the 6th Instant relative to the altering the situation of the Engine House, adjoining the Mill Bridge,

* Marginal note in original [*sic*].

Report — That they had a conference with Dr. Windship, Mr. Green Mr. Sumner the Carpenter, Mr. James & others, and gave directions to have the same altered, it being elevated so much as to render inconvenient, and also prejudicial to some of the Inhabitants; when Dr. Windship engaged with the said Committee to have it altered to their satisfaction free of any charge to the Town —

Mr. Price & Mr. Walley a Committee relative to paving State Street, who are to make Report to the Selectmen —

Carrd. foward to the 15th.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 13. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley Sever Brown, Andrews, Boardman

[**133.**] The Selectmen accompanied by a number of the Honbl. Council of this Commonwealth & other Gentlemen, Visited the Hospital on Rainsfords Island, and found things in good order —

Brought from other side — Vizt. —

Mr. Bangs and a number of the Town Shoe makers appeared, and requested of the Selectmen that they might have the Shoemakers Stalls near the Market or the Ground on which they stand leased to them exclusively, pr the Quarter or the Year.

Mr. Nazro is directed not to suffer any Persons to occupy the Stalls untill the further directions of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 20. 1788. — Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Boardman, Walley, Andrews Price, Browne.

Mr. Dorr appointed to order another Desk & some small Repairs to Mr. Cheneys School —

Upon the Application of the Shoemakers of this Town

Agreed, that the Ground belonging to the Town at the Easterly End of Faneuil Hall Market House be Leased monthly to such Persons as shall appear to set up Stalls thereon for the Vending of Shoes & Boots, and that preference be given to such of the Inhabitants who shall supply those Articles, with Leases of such part of said Ground as they choose, but in no case not more than one Stall shall be occupied by one Person either Inhabitant or other Person —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 22d. 1788 — Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Boardm., Price, Walley, Browne,

Mr. Scollay having received of Mr. Tayler, of Mrs. Brookers Donation £3 — the same was delivered to the following Selectmen to be distributed as the Will of said Brooker directs —

To Capt. Tyler	£1 — —	see March 4. 1789 —
To Mr. Scollay	– 13 – 4	
To Mr. Dorr	1 – 6 – 8	see Sept. 17. 1788 £3 —

[**134.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt.

25. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Seaver, Price, Andrews, Browne, Walley, Passed upon accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at / p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	d^{o}.	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	d^{o}.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	d^{o}.	–	4	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price		–	9	8

The Committee appointed the 14th of July to confer with Jonas Welsh relative to a Slip of Land adjoining to the Way leading to the North Mills — Reported the following Agreement which was accepted by the Selectmen —

The Selectmen in behalf of said Town agree with Jonas Welch of said Town Miller, that in case said Welch make at his own proper cost and expence, a good and sufficient Stone Head on a Slip of Land belonging to the said Town, leading from Prince Street and adjoining to the way leading to the North Mills, and also lays a sufficient Drain on the same Land to convey the waste Water into the Mill Pond; That in that case he may use and occupy the same as a *Tenant* at *Will*, on paying to the Town Treasurer for the time being after the rate of one Shilling p Annum, be it for a longer or a shorter time, that he may have liberty to occupy the same. And it is further Agreed that as it will be a considerable Expence to the said Welsh in compleating the said Business that in case he is legally dispossesed of the Premisses, or obliged to quit the same, that it shall be referred to three indiferent [**135.**] Persons to determine what Sum shall be allowed by the said Town, to the said Welsh for the expence he may have been at in the said Work; taking into consideration the time he may have occupied the same — Provided, that nothing be allowed him after the term of twenty Years, if he should have Liberty to occupy the same for that Time —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27. 1788. A: M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Tyler, Andrews, —

D^{r}. Rand having enformed the Selectmen, that Capt. Potter living in Fleet Street, had the Small Pox upon him — a Comm^{ee} of the Selectmen repaired to said House & conferred with M^{rs}. Potter relative to the removing him to the Hospital at West Boston where they proposed to her to remove her said Husband, herself and four Children to said Hospital, there to be provided for at the Expence of the Commonwealth — which she agreed to on condition that not only the above named, but that she may have her own Doctor her own Nurse & a Girl that lives with her to go with her — whereupon M^{r}. Nazro was directed to acquaint M^{rs}. Richardson the Keeper of said Hospital therewith that she might immediately make the necessary preparations for their reception —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27. 1788 P.M: Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Seaver, Walley Boardman.

Passed upon other Accounts —

Joseph Whittemore have^{g} been chosen Master of Engine N°. 4 — by the Company of said Engine in the room of M^{r}. Rogers — the Selectmen having approved of the choice, the Town Clerk is directed to furnish him with the necessary Orders —

It is agreed by the Selectmen that [**136.**] Samuel Wells Esq. have a Tomb in the Common Burial Ground which was caved in, and in a ruinous Condition, he paying Seven pounds ten Shillings for the same — *Conditioned* that when an Owner or Owners appear, he shall deliver up the said Tomb, he or they reimbursing him for the charge of said Repairs, and any other Repairs, that may be necessary

* MEMO. Mr. Brackett has relinquished the Tomb. Samuel Wells Esq has taken it. See Aug. 27. 1788.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 29. 1788. Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler Walley Seaver, Boardman

All the Boston Shoe Makers attended that were sent to and consented anew to holding their Stalls which they had sign'd an Agreement for, and others from the Country engaged for Stalls to the amount of twenty one —

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Boardman is directed to order Gravel on or near where the Shoemakers Stalls are to stand

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 3^{d} 1788 Present Messrs. Dorr, Sever, Walley, Scollay, Boardman, Browne,

It is agreed to allow the Proprietors of the Glass Works one third part of the charge of building a head Wall on the Towns Land near said Works to prevent the Ground being washed away, provided the whole charge shall not exceed twenty Dollars —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to require the attendance of M^{r}. James & M^{r}. Houghton the next Wednesday — shown

M^{r}. Makepiece is appointed on his application, to build an Engine House upon the Draw Bridge to receive one of the Town Engines — he performing to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Tyler Boardman & Andrews [**137.**] A Committee to confer with M^{r}. Makepiece relative to Building a Stone head & Stone Steps in Ballantine Dock & Report to the Board —

The Selectmen direct the Inspectors of Police to call on the several Auchtioneers in the Town, and inform them that their last License expired on the 17th of April last, and that every Sale by each of them had at public Auction since that time incurs a Penalty of two hundred Pounds — sent

AGREED to allow M^{r}. Thomas Hill and others fifteen Pounds towards repairing Essex Street, provided he cause fifteen pounds more to be appropriated for the same purpose at the Expense of Individuals Abuttors on said Street exclusive of the Expence that may arise in providing Timber, Stone &^{c}. for erecting a

* Marginal note in original [*sic*].

Bridge that will be necessary to cross the Street for the purpose of carrying off the Water —

M^{r}. Scollay Mr. Price & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to make such Repairs as are necessary at the bottom of Water Street —

M^{r}. Scollay M^{r}. Andrews & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee to pave on the North side of the Market —

M^{r}. Henderson proposes Enoch James Blacksmith & Thomas Parker Brazier — as his Bondsmen as Collector for the present Year -- see Septem^{r}. 10th. —

M^{r}. Andrews Dorr & Tyler a Committee to confer with D^{r}. Winship relative to altering the Timbers which support the Engine House near Mill Bridge

[* [**138.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen & the Overseers of the Poor on Fryday the 27th. July 1787 Present Messrs. Scollay, Price, Brown, Andrews, Walley, Bordman, & Seever of the Selectmen and Messrs: Smith, Mason, White, Procter. Sweetser Whitwell & Hill of the Overseers —

On the Question respecting the disposition & appropriation of the Monies receiv'd by several Gentlemen from Towns & Parishes in the Country, by Virtue of a Brief from the General Court, for the Benefit of the Sufferers in the late fire in this Town, — P^{d}. Account exhibited by them —

Voted. That Jonathan Mason Esqr. be a Committee to receive the monies that each Gentlemen is intrusted with, and distribute the same in such just proportions to the several sufferers, as has been observ'd in the late distributions of the Money Collected for them in this Town —

The several Lists exhibited are as follows vizt. —

From Jonathan Mason	98 – 2 – 3
" M^{r}. Samuel Whitwell	121 – 8 – 2
" Isaac Smith Esqr.	43 – 12 —
" Ezekiel Price Esqr. & 2 Baggs uncounted	30 – 13 – 7
" M^{r}. Ebenezer Seaver	46 – 9 – 11
" Deacon Boardman	41 – 1 – 5
" Thomas Walley Esqr.	9 – 1 – 5
" John Andrews	97 – 4 – 3
" M^{r}. John Sweetser	1 – 11 – 2]

[**139.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 10. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardmen, Walley, Seaver, Brown,

M^{r}. Collector Williams proposes M^{r}. Robert McNeil Merch^{t}. Amos Winship Physician as his Bondsmen

approved

M^{r}. Collector Bayley, proposes James Bayley Gentleman & William Bird Gentleman as his Bondsmen —

approved

M^{r}. Collector Thompson, proposes Isaiah Doane Esq. William Scollay Esq. as his Bondsmen —

approved —

* This occurs at this place, out of order and reversed, as a memo of meeting of the joint body.

[**140.**] The Selectmen have passed on the List of Inholders & Retailers for the last Year as p Copy on file —

The Selectmen agree, that the number of Auchtioneers for the present Year do not exceed ten

The Selectmen appoint next Wednesday, for the Licensing Persons as Auchtioneers —

The Selectmen appoint next Wednesday, for considering & determining relative to the Persons proposed as Bondsmen by the Collectors of Taxes —

The aforegoing Vote reconsidered, and the Bondsmen proposed by the several Collectors were approved of by the Selectmen — and a Certificate was by order of the Selectmen given in to the Assessors in order to the Collectors receiving the Tax Books —

The Selectmen consent to the raising & repairing the pavement in the Street opposite to Mr. Lymans new House to extend from Colo. Tyngs Corner to the new Pavement by Dr. Welches on condition that the whole Expence attending the same, including Stones Gravel & paving shall not exceed the Sum of eight Pounds ten Shillings LM: as a charge to the Town — & to be done in such a manner as not to injure the passing thro' any of the Contiguous Streets or Lanes by making too sudden falls or risings —

Mr. Brown having received of Mr. Scollay out of Brookers Donations the 18th. of last June £1–10 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To Mrs: Pattens	£ — 18 —
To ditto	— 6 —
To ditto	— 6 —
	———£ 1– 10

Voted, that Mr. Tayler be informed that [**141.**] Unless the Interest due on his Bond be paid in one month from this date it will be put in suit without fail —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 17. 1788 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Scollay, Boardman, Seaver, Price, Andrews, Walley

Mr. Dorr having received of Brookers Donation 26/8 as entred the 22d. of last month in the other Books the same he has distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To Susanna Pike	£ – 4 – 6
To the Widow Abigail Tyler	– 3 – 4
To the Widow Ann Coppinger	– 2 – 2
To Mary Baker a sick Person	–16 – 8
	———£ 1 – 6 – 8 —

A Child of one Tuckermans at a House on Olivers Dock, being taken with the Small Pox, was sent to the Hospital at West Boston — on Yesterday —

The Selectmen having agreed that a Watch should be appointed for the Hospital — Mr. Nazro was directed to provide one accordingly —

Mr. Seaver requested to enquire a suitable Person to prevent firing on the Neck — & Report him to the Board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 20th. 1788.

Present Messrs. Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Walley — Andrews,

M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation of Treasurer Boyer for one Years Interest on his Note £ 22–2–9

The following Selectmen had the same delivered to them to distribute — Viz^{t}. —

[**142.**]	M^{r}. Dorr	£2 – 14 —	see Novr. 19th.
	M^{r}. Price	2 – 14 —	see Novr. 12
	Capt. Tyler	2 – 14 —	see March 4. 1788
	M^{r}. Boardman	2 – 14 —	see Feby. 4. 1789
	M^{r}. Seaver	2 – 14 —	see Feby. 11. 1789
	M^{r}. Walley	3 —	
	M^{r}. Andrews	3 —	see Decr. 1788
	M^{r}. Scollay		2 – 12 – 9
			———— £ 22–2–9

see Octo^{r}. 29

D^{r}. Rand applys to the Selectmen, that M^{rs}. Potter & two of her Children may be permitted to leave the Hospital as in his Opinion they may do it with perfect safety to the Inhabitants —

Liberty granted, provided every precaution is taken, which D^{r}. Rand shall think necessary, — to prevent the Infection being communicated —

M^{r}. Francis attended & informed the Selectmen that a Sister of his has broke out with the Small Pox in his House near the Orange Tree —

The Selectmen acquainted M^{r}. Francis that his Sister must be sent to the Hospital at West Boston, which he consented to, as also his four Children, who it was suspected might have taken the Infection he also agreed to pay the Physician, the charge that shall arise in taking care of them during their sickness —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 23^{d}. 1788

Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Sever, Walley, Price,

Ordered that a Warrant be issued for calling a Town Meeting on Thursday next 3. OClock P: M:

Voted, that Messrs. Edes have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 24. 1788 A: M:

Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Price, Sever, Tyler,

[**143.**] Information given the Selectmen that a Child of one Charles's in Long Lane, has broke out with the Small Pox The Selectmen thereupon went to the House & after conferring with the Father he consented to the Childs being sent to the Hospital at West Boston — and the Child was immediately removed

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24. 1788

Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Andrews, Sever, Price.

M^{r}. Andrews having received of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation 9th of

April last — 13/4 — and the 11th of July last 24/ — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

To the Widow Nichols	– 3 – 4	
Widow Vezey	— 6 – 8	
Widow Stewart	— 3 – 4	
		— 13 – 4d.
To the Widow Powers	– 6 —	
Widow Emmons	– 6 —	
Widow Vezie	– 6 —	
Widow Nickels	– 6 —	1 – 4 — 0
		£ 1 – 17 – 4

Mr. Procter having apply'd for a License as an Auchtioneer and shown the Treasurers Receit — he proposed Joseph Loring & Stephen Emery Silver Smiths for Bondsmen —

Mr. Andrews having received of Mr. Smith for the Selectmen thirteen pounds fifteen Shillings & 3d. — being the amount of an Evenings Exhibition of moral Lectures &c. for the benefit of the Poor — the same was given to the following Selectmen to be distributed accordingly —

To Mr. Scollay	£1 – 13	
Mr. Dorr	1 13	— see December 8th.
Mr. Price	1 – 16 – 5	— see Novr. 12 —
Mr. Tyler	1 – 13 –	
Mr. Andrews	1 – 13 —	
Mr. Sever	1 – 13 –	see March 4th.
Mr. Boardman	1 – 13 —	see Feby. 4. 1789
Mr. Walley	1 – 10 –	
	£13 – 4 –5.	

[144.] Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee to call upon Mr. Pope in order to take a Survey of the Land belonging to the Town adjoining to Mr. Cunninghams.

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Boardman a Committee to view some Land Mr. Powers is desiring to hire for erecting a small Building thereon — and to Report to the Board

Mr. Walley Mr. Andrews & Mr. Sever a Committee to view Crooked Lane & Short Street, and Report to the Board what is necessary to be done —

The Granary let to Mr. Walley and Mr. Andrews a Commee. of the Sail Cloth Manufacture — at twenty Shillings p month from the time they take the Key — on condition to relinquish the same in case a greater price is offered therefor — to pay so long as they occupy said Building —

Mr. Jacob Adams Auchtioneer, proposes Joseph Howard Mercht. Isaiah Eliot Mercht. as his Bondsmen — approved —

The Inspectors are directed to go thro'. the several Wards and take an Account of all the Negroes not Inhabitants of this Town, governing themselves by the late Law relative to Negroes

sent by Nazro

The Town Clerk directed to hand in to the Town Treasurer a Copy of the Shoemakers Obligation for Rent of Stalls — and the same was handed in accordingly —

Boston Ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Tyler, Boardmen Walley Sever

The Selectmen waited upon the Selectmen of Brookline to confer with them as directed in a late Town Vote relative to Inoculating Hospitals &^{c}.

[**145.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 30 Present Messrs:

The Meeting was not attended, the common Day for Selectmens Meeting being on the Morrow —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 1 [1788] Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Walley, Price, Andrews,

Passed upon accounts

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at $^{5}/_{6}$ p Bushel and that 12^{d}. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.—

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh —	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price d^{o}.	—	4	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price d^{o}.	—	9	8

Capt. Pease of Engine N°. 5 applied for a premium which was drawn for last March —

M^{r}. Andrews Walley & Sever a Committee to confer with M^{r}. Brimmer relative to a Water Course —

M^{r}. Scollay appointed to order Repairs to Newmans Watch House

M^{r}. Scollay added to the Committee relative to Market—

The Selectmen appoint Fryday Afternoon to settle relative to a new Town Meeting — showd M^{r}. Nazro

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 3^{d}. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Price, Walley, Seaver, Dorr, Boardman

The Town Clerk directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting, next Wednesday being the 8th. Ins^{t}.

[**146.**] Freeman & Andrews to have the printing of the Notifications for Town Meeting

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to enform those that hold Stalls in Market Square, that no Fore Stallers will be permitted to occupy Stalls, while thus offending the Laws — gave Nazro

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 8. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Boardman, Seaver,

It was agreed to allow

Boston Ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 15. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Seaver, Boardman, Tyler, Andrews,

Mr. Withington permitted to open a Drain from his House formerly Deacon Tylers, provided the Ground is made good and the Pavement restored, to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Mr. Scollay having received of Mr. Tayler Six Pounds lawful Money, being Mrs. Brookers Donation, the same was divided among the following Selectmen to be by them distributed, agreable to the Will of said Donor — Vizt. —

Mr. Dorr	£1 - 4 —	see Novemr. 19th.
Capt. Tyler	1 - 4 —	see March 4 —
Mr. Price	- 18 —	see Novr. 12 —
Mr. Walley	- 18 —	
Deacon Boardman	- 18 —	see Feby. 1789 --
Mr. Sever	- 18 —	see Feby. 11 1789 —
	£ 6 --	

Mr. Thomas Learned has liberty to open a Drain from his House in Hanover Street to the Common Shore, provided the Ground and Pavement is made good to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Mr. Sever having agreable to his appointment [**147.**] the 5th. of September last, Reported, Mr. Obediah Thayer as a proper Person to prevent Firing on the neck &c. the Selectmen accepted said Report, and Mr. Thayer was furnished with Orders accordingly — he to attend said Business to the last of December next —

Mr. Tyler, Mr. Walley & Mr. Andrews a Committee to view the Drain near Mr. Trenches House, and Report to the Board relative thereto —

Fryday next 11. OClock is assigned by the Selectmen for viewing the Creek & Land near Mr. Powers's & Dawes Land, a number of Inhabitants having petitioned the Selectmen, that no Building should be erected thereon by Mr. Powers —

Mr. Dorr added to the Committee relative to removing the Dock Engine —

Mr. Walley & others a Commee. of the Selectmen having Reported — Voted, that thirty load of Gravel be allowed towards repairing Short Street, and thirty loads towards repairing Blind Lane, to be paid for by the Town on condition that the Abuttors on said Streets will furnish at their own expence, an equal quantity towards repairing said Streets — and that Mr. Sever & Mr. Walley be a Committee to carry the above Vote into execution —

Mr. Calvin White applies for liberty to open a Drain from his House near Governments House into the Common Shore — Liberty accordingly granted provided the Ground & Pavement are restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

An Advertizement for the Sale of North Battery Thursday the 23d. Inst. was sent to several Papers

Capt. Elias Robinson of Engine No. 3 [**148.**] applies for a Premium at the late Fire at Mr. Adams House North End — which was granted drawn for —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 22d. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Sever,

Shoemakers Obligation to pay for Rent of Stalls placed on the Files of mixt papers —

The Selectmen having view'd the place on which Mr. Powers proposed to Erect a Building, Reported that no Building be erected on said place —

On the Petition of Mr. Makepeace & others — Voted that they have liberty to proceed in filling up the Mill Creek so far, and in such manner as is proposed in said Petition — the same to be laid before the Town for their confirmation —

Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler to procure Wood for the three North Schools — Mr. Sever for Mr. Tickner & Mr. Andrews for Mr. Carter, Deacon Boardman for Mr. Hunt & Mr. Walley for Mr. Vinals —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 27. 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Price

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel must be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

		lb	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1 –	10 –	8
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	do.	3 –	0 –	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	do.	4 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price	do.	–	4 –	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price	do.	–	9 –	8

Passed upon Accounts —

[**149.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 29. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Tyler, Price, Walley, Sever, Dorr,

Passed upon other Accounts

Mr. Scollay having received of Mr. Fullerton at two payments £2 – 8 — being part of Mrs. Brookers Donation the same was received in April & Septemr. & given to the following Selectmen to be distributed agreable to the Will of the Donor — Vizt.

Mr. Dorr - - - - - - -	£0 – 6/ –		see July 14. 1788
Capt. Tyler - - - - - -	0 – 6 – 0		see July 30 – 1788
Mr. Scollay, retained - -	1 – 10 – 0		
Mr. Walley	0 – 6 – 0		
		£2 – 8 –	

Mr. Scollay distributed the above as follows Vizt. —

To Mrs. Lowel - - - - - - -	£ — 6 —	
To Mrs. Foot	— 6 —	
To Mrs. Reed	— 6 —	
To Mrs. Nuttedge	— 6 —	
To Mrs. Mollins	— 6 —	
		£1 — 10 —

Mr. Scollay having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation the 20th.

of September last, £2 – 12 – 9 — The same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To M^{rs}. Lowell - - - - - - -	£ — 12 —	
M^{rs}. Read - - - - - - -	— 12 —	
M^{rs}. Pain - - - - - - -	— 6 —	
M^{rs}. Hillyer - - - - - - -	— 6 —	
M^{rs}. Frances - - - - - -	— 6 —	
M^{rs}. Usher - - - - - - -	— 6 —	
M^{rs}. Nuttage - - - - - -	— 6 —	
		£2 — 14 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 5 — 1788 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Price, Andrews,

[**150.**] M^{r}. Scollay having received of M^{r}. Tayler for Interest on Moneys lent him of M^{rs}. Brookers Donation, the same was divided among the following Selectmen to be distributed according to the intention of the Donor — Viz^{t}. —

To M^{r}. Brown	£1 – 4	
Capt. Tyler	1 – 4	see March 4th.
M^{r}. Walley	1 – 4	
Deacon Boardman	1 – 4 —	see Feby. 4. 1789
M^{r}. Sever	1 – 4	see Feby. 11. 1789
	— £6 —	

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 12. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Sever, Boardman,

M^{r}. Price having received of Brookers Donation Septr 29. £2 – 14/. Septem^{r}. 24/. £1 – 16 – 5 & October 15th. 18/ the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To Widow Stevens	£ — 18 —	
Widow Thorp	— 6 —	
Widow Cary	— 9 —	
Widow Rouse	— 9 —	
Widow McElroy	— 3 —	
Widow Mayhew	— 9 —	
		— £2 – 14

To Widow Rouse	£ — 6 —	
Widow Parker	— 9 —	
Widow Stevens	— 6 —	
Widow Waters	— 9 —	
Widow McElroy	— 3 —	
Widow Lee	— 3 – 5	
		— 1 – 16 – 5

To Widow Stevens	£ — 6 —	
M^{rs}. Ireland	— 6 —	
Widow Lee	— 6 —	
		— — 18 —

Mem°. 18/. of the above was rec^d^. on Acc^t^. of Monies raised by M^r^. Smith for the use of the Poor of the Town —

The Fishermen hereafter named who occupy Stalls along the new Gutter on the East side of the Market and Yard are to pay for each Stall improved by them one Shilling p. Week for six months only —

Timothy Pease	Jacob Parsons
William Badger	William Tilton
Michael Orcutt	William Andrews

The Rent to commence the 10th. Ins^t^. — sent Treasu^r^.

[**151.**] One of the Town Engine House having been Erected one side thereof against M^r^. Robert Rands Wharff it is agreed, that the Engine House shall be removed by him when he shall have occasion to repair his Wharff he replacing the said Engine House at his own charge —

M^r^. Sever appointed to confer with M^r^. May, relative to a common Shore on the Neck —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 19th. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman,

M^r^. Dorr having received of Brookers Donation as entred the 20th. of September, and 15th. October last 54/ & 24/ he has distributed the same as follows — Viz^t^. —

To the Widow Abigail Tyler	£ — 6 —	
Susanna Pike	— 12 —	
Widow Ann Coppinger	— 6 —	
Widow Rachel Abrahams	— 6 —	
Widow Priscilla White	— 4 —	
Edward Ireland a sick man	— 2 —	
Mary Baker a sick Person	— 6 —	
Ric^d^. Moses Tufft a sick Man	— 12 —	
		£2 – 14 —
To Susanna Pike	— 6 —	
Widow Elizabeth Stevens	— 6 —	
Widow Mary Read	— 1 – 6	
Widow Abigail Tyler	— 4 – 6	
Widow Mary Gordon	— 6 —	
		£1 – 4 —
		£3 – 18

The Selectmen approve of M^r^. John Griffith as a Teacher of dancing in this Town, he having been well recommended by a number of Inhabitants as a Person of good character, & suitable qualifications for the Business —

[**152.**] Passed upon Capt. Samuel Laha. State Acco^t^. amounting as by Copy on file to £40 – 19 – 3^d^.

M^r^. Scollay & M^r^. Boardman a Committee to view the Hospital at New Boston and give directions for necessary repairs —

M^r^. Thomas Brewer who is about removing to Belcher Town,

was on the representation of Mr. Sherburne, recommended to the Selectmen of said Town as Persons applying for Licenses are usually recommended —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 24. 1788 Present Messrs: Boardman, Tyler, Sever, Price

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

		lbs.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	do.	3	0	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meai	do.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	do.		4	12
Biskets of a 2 Copper price	do.		9	8

Passed upon no Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Andrews,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Draught for last month examined and approved of by the Selectmen —

[**153.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 3d. 1788 — Present Messrs. Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Andrews,

The Selectmen Certified, that according to information Mr. Cornelius Melony is the reputed Father of William Melony, late a Soldier in Colo. Wigglesworths Regiment since deceased & that said reputed Father is the proper Person to receive what Monies may be due to him for services, while in the Continental service —

Mr. Vinal proposes Robert Hinckley as an Assistant for him at his School & that his services may commence the 15th. of November last —

Mr. Sever & Deacon Boardman a Commee. to view Nassau Street — to see what Repairs are necessary & to direct them —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. [8] 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Price,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting relative to Federal Representatives the 18 of Decemr. Inst.

Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to request Mr. Freeman to open the Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Newman to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Mr. Dorr having received 33/ as entred the 24th. of Septemr. last, being his part of the Money which the Selectmen received of Mr. Smith for the benefit of the Poor, the same was distributed by Mr. Dorr as follows — Vizt. —

To Ann Coppinger	£ - 6 —	
To Abigail Tyler	- 6 —	
To Susannah Pike	- 9 —	
To Edward Ireland	- 3 —	
To Priscilla White	- 3 —	
To Rachel Abrahams	- 3 —	
To Sarah Leate	- 3 —	
	———	£1 - 13 —

[**154.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 10th. 1788

Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Seaver, Andrews, Boardman, Tyler, Price,

Voted that M^{r}. Vinal be allowed for an Assistant to his School at the rate of thirty Pounds p Annum, to commence the 1st. of December Ins^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 15. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Andrews, Price, Tyler,

Capt. Thomas Dennie from Martineque, in the Brigg^{ne}. Agnes, Reported that one of his Sailers named Charles, was broke out with the Small Pox — Capt. Dennie was directed to send the said Charles in his own Boat to Rainsfords Island, accompanied with a Letter to Capt. Laha directing him to take charge of him & likewise to come up & take charge of the Vessel, and see that she is thoroughly cleansed from the Infection —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 15. P: M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Andrews, Price Tyler,

Capt. Hopkins Reported that a Lad named Thomas Smith belonging to Truro on the Cape, was shipped by him the Day before & appeared to have the Small Pox broke out upon him — On examination it was found that he had that Distemper — whereupon Messrs: Scollay Tyler, Andrews & Boardman signed an Order to Capt. Laha to take charge of him, and make the Town Debtor for the Expence which shall arise on his Account — Capt. Laha having declined taking him on account of the Commonwealth —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemb^{r}. 16. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Andrew, Tyler

Capt. Laha Reported, that he had taken the Cotton out of Capt. Dennies Brig^{t}. to carry to the Island, and had so thoroughly smoked & cleansed the Vessel as that in his opinion she might come to up to the Wharff with perfect safety to the Town — see Decem^{r}. 18 Capt. —

[**155.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 17. 1788 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Boardman,

M^{r}. Dorr by direction of the Board delivered to Justice Greenleaff, a List of the Blacks in Town who were Strangers — as taken by the Inspectors of the Police — which M^{r}. Greanleaff engaged to lay before the Sessions —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 18. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews, Boardman

Capt. Dennie informed the Selectmen. that the Man which had been taken with the Small Pox on board his Vessel, took the Distemper by going on board a Capt. Crouch belonging to Newbury Port, who had two Men sick with it in the natural way and others by Inocculation; and that he was to sail for this Port a Day or two after him & might be hourly expected — The Selectmen apprehending from this information that said Vessel might come up to the Wharff, and thereby endanger the Town; made immediate application to his Excellency the Governor, to have her stop'd at the Castle; who accordingly gave Orders in writing to the Commanding Officer at the Castle, not only to stop said Vessell but any others under the same predicament upon application from the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 24. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Price

Maj^{r}. Moses Ballard applies for a License as an Inholder at a House in Royal Exchange Alley in the House lately occupied by M^{r}. Graves — (approved)

M^{r}. John Bowes by his Wife late Widow Woodward applies for a License to keep a Tavern in her House in Royal Exchange Lane —

The consideration of both the above Petitions suspended for the present — say a Retailer approved

[**156.**] Voted, that Miss Betsy Bonyngs Rent of the House she now improves in Queen Street be reduced to twelve pounds p Annum to commence from the 18th. of October — and that M^{r}. Andrews have it in orders, to direct some little Repairs to the roof of said House sent p Nazro

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 29. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Price, Andrews,

Ordered that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal	must weigh	3	0	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal	d^{o}.	4	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	d^{o}.		4	12
Biskets of two Coppers price	d^{o}.		9	8

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 31st. 1788
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr Price, Tyler Andrews, Boardman

M^{r}. Andrews appointed to make application relative to some further supplies for the Hospital at Rainsfords Island —

M^{r}: Andrews having received of Brookers Donation Septem^{r}. 19. 1788 — £3 — the same was distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To the Widow Veazey twice	£ — 18 —	
Widow Powers	— 6 —	
Widow Erving	— 6 —	
Widow Robinson	— 6 —	
Widow White	— 6 —	
Widow Emmons	— 12 —	
Widow Symmes	— 6 —	
		£3 —

The List of Persons Licensed the last year placed on the Files —

[**157.**] Mr. Andrews having received of the Money given for the Poor by Mr. Smith £1 - 10/. the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

Mr. Higgins	£ — 6 —	
Mr. Nichols	— 9 —	
Mr. Harmon	— 6 —	
Mr. Powers	— 9 —	
		£1 - 10—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 7. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Andrews,

Benjamin Cox, Taylor applies for the House lately occupied by Mr. Moulins —

Spencer Walker also applys for said House —

Thomas Peak approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors for his Shop in Hanover Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 14. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Andrews, Scollay,

Ezekiel Averill applies for a License to retail Rum &c. at his Shop at Fleet Street — approved by the Selectmen —

Benjamin Baxter applies for approbation as a Retailer of Spirits at his Shop in Marshalls Lane — not approv'd being under age

Zacheus Moreton applies for a License to retail Rum &c. at his Shop in Royal Exchange Lane — approved

Voted, that Violet Winslow a Negro Woman be allowed two Shillings p Week for nursing & supporting a Child, born of a Negro Woman who lived at Capt. Hows in Federal Street and was sent from thence to the Alms house where she died said pay to commence the first of October last — the same to be charged to the State —

Mr. Walley, & Mr. Boardman a Committee to enquire of Mr. Foster & others relative to pavement on Merchants Row

[**158.**] The Towns Account with the Commonwealth amg to £292 — 15 — 4 as p Copy on file, handed in by Mr. Scollay agreable to the Order of the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 19. 1789. Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Boardman

Jurors drawn, & Grand Jurors chosen, and entred on the Book of Records —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^{y}. [21] 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Sever, Andrews, Tyler, Walley,

Samuel Davis Merch^{t}. applies for the approbation of the Selectmen to retail Spirituous [*sic*] at his Store in Fish Street approved

M^{rs}. Sarah Carter single Woman, applies to have the House lately occupied by M^{r}. Moulins —

M^{rs}. Mary Jackson approved of as a Retailer of Spirits at her Shop at

Charles Phillips lodged at Rainsfords Island from the Brig^{t}. Agnes Capt. Dennie with the Small Pox — Is reported by Capt. Laha to be well of that Distemper; he is therefore permitted to leave the Island when Capt. Laha may think he can do it with safety to the Town or any hazard of communicating the Distemper —

M^{r}. Scollay have received of M^{r}. Minot of Brookers Donation three Pounds the same was given the following Selectmen to be distributed

Capt. Tyler	£ 1 – 4	— see March 4
M^{r}. Dorr	1 – 16	— see February 18th.
	£3	

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 26. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Sever, Boardmen, Tyler, Price, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

[**159.**] Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 P Bushel, and that twelve Pence P Bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1 –	10 –	8
a 4^{d}. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh	3 –	0 –	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}.	4 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh	0 –	4 –	12
Biskets of two Copper price, must weigh	0 –	9 –	8

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Jany. 28. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Walley, Boardman, Andrews,

Capt. William Daggett applies for being approbated by the Selectmen as an Inholder at the House in Ann Street, lately occupied by M^{rs}. Callahan — disapproved

Passed upon other Accounts —

M^{r}. Walley appointed to direct an alteration in the Fire place at Selectmens Chamber, as shall appear practicable —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen February 4. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman,

Susannah Brett applies for being approbated to retail Spirits at her Shop near Clarks Ship Yard, Ship Street —

Jesse Houghton applies for the House belonging to the Town, lately occupied by Mr. Moulins —

Deacon Boardman having received 1788 — April 9. June 18. Sepr. 20th. & 25. October 15 & Novemr. 5 — to the amo. of £8 – 11 – 6 — of Mrs. Brookers Donation — the same was distributed agreable to the Will of the Donor — Vizt. —

[160.]	Over paid of the last Moneys recd.	£ — 16 —	
	Paid Mrs. Uran	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Hopkins	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Veasey	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Stone	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Scollay 3/	— 3 —	
	Paid Mrs. Brown	— 9 —	
	Paid Mrs. Hopkins	— 8 —	
	Paid Mrs. Whiting	— 12 —	
	Paid Mrs. Venner	— 12 —	
	Paid Mrs. Powers	— 3 —	
	Paid Mrs. Holland	— 4 –6	
	Paid Mrs. Glover	— 6 –6	
	Paid Mrs. Brown	— 8 —	
	Paid Mrs. Hopkins	— 8 —	
	Paid Mrs. Paine	— 8 —	
	Paid Mrs. Gee	— 12 —	
	Paid Mrs. Hopkins Junr.	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Bill	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Stone	— 3 —	
	Paid Mrs. Allen	— 8 —	
	Paid Mrs. Badger	— 6 —	
	Paid Mrs. Low	— 8 —	
			£8–11

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 11. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Walley,

Mr. Seaver having received of Mrs. Brookers Donation Septemr. 26th. £2 – 14/ October 15 — 18/ -- Novr. 5 £1 – 4 in all £4 – 16 —

The above was distributed agreable to the Will of the Doner — Vizt. —

To the Widow Milton	£ —	6 $7\frac{1}{5}$
the Widow Stevens	—	6 —
the Widow Barker	—	6 —
the Widow Scott	—	6 —
the Widow Stevens	—	12 —
Lovey Marks sick	—	6 —
the Widow Geyer	—	6 —
Molly Rice sick	—	6 —
Widow Milton	—	6 —
Widow Barker	—	6 —
the Widow Campbell	—	9 —
the Widow Stevens	—	6 —
[161.] the Widow Campbell	—	6 —

To the Widow Sever	— 6 —
the Widow Barker	— 2 – 4⅘
	——— £4 – 16

John Hunt approved of for the South Watch in the room of John Harris, gone beyond Sea —

Application having been made the Selectmen by a number of Blacks, that they might have the use of Faneuil Hall for once, to accommodate them in hearing an African Preacher, lately arrived with a good recommendation —

Liberty was granted that they might have the use of the Hall for an Afternoon, provided that it be on a Week Day, & that the service begins at 3 o'Clock or a little after so as the People may have the Hall by Day light that no opportunity may be given rude Fellows to make a disturbance —

Mr. Scollay Boardman & Mr. Walley a Committee to view a Passage Way, near the late Mr. Walkers Land, on the application of Mr. Bond —

The Selectmen of Malden inform that a Mrs. Burdet Wife of William Burdet, lately deceased, with three Children, are now at said Town & like to become a charge — the Man was born in Malden left it above 30 Years ago & if not warned out of Boston as the Law directed at that time, they suppose she will be considered as an Inhabitant, having lost his Inhabitance at Malden —

Mrs. —— Bret, Widow approved by the Selectmen as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at her shop near Clarks Ship Yard —

[**162.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Walley, Price, Andrews, Seaver,

Mr. Dorr having received of Mr. Brookers Donation the sum of 36 / as entred the 25th of January last, — the same has been distributed by him as follows — Vizt. —

To Susanna Pike - - - - - - -	£ – 10 – 6
To Widow Rachel Abrahams - -	– 6 – —
To Edward Ireland a sick Man - -	– 3 – —
To the Widow Abigail Tyler - - -	– 6 – —
To the Widow Mary Richards - -	– 4 – 6
To the Widow Ann Coppinger - -	– 3 – —
To the Widow Priscilla White - -	– 3 – —
amount	£ 1 – 16 – —

Mr. Scollay a Committee to procure a suitable Book for entering, the Bonds & Notes belonging to Mrs. Brookers Donation — and the receipt of all Interest Money, and the distribution thereof by the respective Selectmen, agreeable to the Will of the Donor —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 23d 1789 Present Messrs: Seaver, Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Price, Boardman, Andrews,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5 / 6 p Bushel, and that 12. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lbs.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1 –	10 –	8
a 4d. ditto, ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh	3 –	0 –	0
a 4d. ditto, not above half Indian Meal do	4 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh	–	4 –	12
Biskets of 2 Coppers price, must weigh	–	9 –	8

Passed upon Accounts —

The Selectmen have Agreed, that Mr. Ticknors assistant shall be drawn for at the rate of £36 — p Annum

[**163.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 25 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Price, Andrews, Walley —

Passed upon other Accounts —

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 9t. of March Instant 10 'O Clock A: M: for the choice of Town Officers —

Mr. Draper to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Messrs: Dorr & Tyler — a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Montague and request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer

On the application of a number of respectable Inhabitants, the Blacks are permitted to make use of Faneuil Hall for the purpose of public worship, one Day in the Week, provided it be on a Tuesday or a Fryday & in the Afternoon — untill the Selectmen shall order otherwise —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 4 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Walley, Price,

Six Jurymen drawn and entered on the Books

Capt. Tyler having received of Mr. Brookers Donation Augt. 22d. £1 — Sepr. 20. £2. 14/. Octobr. 15 £1. 4/ Novr. 5 £1. 4/ Jany. 25. £1. 4/ in all £7 6 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt. —

Mrs. Ireland - -	£ – 18 – 4	Brot up - - - -	£ 5 – 14 – 6
Mrs. Coppinger - -	– 17 – 2	Rebecca Goodwin - -	– 16 – 6
Widow A Tyler -	1 – 7 – 0	Elizabeth Varney - -	– 3 – 0
Hannah Whitel -	– 14 – 0	Priscilla White - -	– 3 – 0
Mrs. Brick - - -	1 – 9 – 0	Mrs. Mason - - -	– 6 – 0
Mrs. Varney - - -	– 9 – 0	Mrs. Bradford - - -	– 3 – 0
	5. 14. 6		£ 7 – 6 –

[**164.**] Capt. Ranger of Engine No. 7. applys for a Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which lately broke out at Revd. Mr. Eckleys Barn — drawn for see May 25

Mr. Sever having received of Mr. Smiths exhibition Septemr 24. 1788 — £1 – 13 — the same was distributed as follows — Vizt.—

To the Widow Scott - - - - -	£ – 6 – 0
Widow Campbell - - -	– 4 – 6
Molly Rice - - - - - -	– 4 – 6
Betsy Nichols - - - -	– 6 – 0
Mrs. Jackson - - - -	– 6 – 0
Mrs. Rex - - - - - - -	– 6 – 0
	Amount £1 – 13—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 11. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Walley, Seaver, Price,

Mr. Edward Reynolds approbated as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Place in Kilbey Street —

Mr. Scollay, Andrews, & Seaver — a Committee to order the immediate erection of Rails at Beacon Hill to prevent Cows entering the Hill, & to report an estimate of what may be further necessary to be done for the preservation of the Hill

Upon complaint of a number of the Inhabitants that the Chimneys are defective in a House in Gibbins Court — a Warrant was issued by the Selectmen empowering Messrs. John McLane & George Langley, to inspect the same & make Report —

Col May & Mr. Tileston a Commee from the Fire Wards Represented to the Selectmen that an Engine might be built & purchased of Mr. Norton to answer the purpose for £45 — they were permitted to purchase such an Engine for the amount of which he will receive a draught on the Town Treasurer —

[**165.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 17. 1789. Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Sever

Thomas Capron approbated to retail Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Fish Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 18, 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Tyler, Dorr, Boardman, Seaver, Andrews,

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee to agree for the repairs of a Pump in Fish Street, if they shall Judge it to be of public advantage & the charge does not exceed eight Dollars —

Mr. Tukesbury applied to the Selectmen for an abatement of his back Rent — whereupon Voted, that no abatement can be made thereon.

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Boardman a Commee. to consider what the Rent of the Island shall be in future & Report to the Selectmen —

Mr. Josiah Burroughs approved to retail Spirits at his Shop near the Mill Bridge

On the Petition of a number of Inhabitants that Henchman Lane near Charter Street be widen'd — the Selectmen agreed to view said Lane in a Body —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 25, 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Boardman, Walley, Andrews,

Voted, that the House lately occupied by Mr. Mollins be let to Jesse Houghton at the vote of (see April 15) — p Annum

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on the 1st. Monday of April next being the 6th. Day of said Month for the choice of Governor &c —

[**166.**] Mr. Walley and Mr. Sever - - - - a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Samuel West — and to request his opening the Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. John W. Fulsome to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting

On the application of the French Priest The Abbee La Poterie Voted, that he have liberty to employ his own Sexton Joseph Hengelsberg to bury the dead of his own Communion only, in any of the buryal places belonging to the Town of Boston — His Letter of Application on file —

James Williams Junr. to have Stall on the Square for the Sale of Shoes, Rent to commence the 18th of March Inst.

The Selectmen have agreed to meet Colo. Daws & the other Gentlemen on Colo. Mays Petition Fryday next 11. OClock A: M: at the Selectmens Chamber —

Rachel Gardet, approved of as a Retailer of Spirits at her Shop in Middle Street —

Timothy Pease of Engine No. 5. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which broke out and consumed the Billyard House in Kilby Street last December — drawn for April. 27 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 30. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Tyler, Price, Andrews, Sever,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel & that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1 –	10 –	8
a 4d. ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh	3 –	0 –	0
a 4d. ditto, not above ½ Indian Meal, must weigh	4 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh	–	4 –	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weigh	–	9 –	8

Passed upon Accounts —

[**167.**] The Selectmen permit Mr. Collector Henderson, Bonds for 1787. to be delivered, he having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers, that he has paid them the several Sums, due for the County & Town Taxes

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 1st. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Price, Dorr, Seaver, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Walley,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Nazro is directed to warn all the Funeral Undertakers, to attend at the Selectmens Chamber, on Saturday next ½ part 11. OClock. —

Mr. Robt. F: McFerson having Petitioned for permission to

exhibit Lectures on Heads — It was Voted that the Selectmen would not interfere one way or the other as to this matter —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 4. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Sever, Boardman

On complaint that M^{r}. James one of the Sextons had behaved unsuitably, by endeavoring to prevent other Sextons attending the late M^{r}. Browns Funeral — the Sextons agreeable to Notice attended, and the complaint being enquired into; it was found that the charge against James could not be supported —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 8 1789 — Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley

Capt. Lovering of Engine N°. 8. applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which lately broke out at M^{r}. Joseph Ruggles House S^{o}. End

Voted that it be granted him & that he receive a draft for ye Premium

drawn for

Capt. Lovering proposes Timothy Tileston as an Engine man in the room of John Stimpson — approved of by the Selectmen

[**168.**] On the application of Maj^{r}. Tuckerman & M^{r}. Breed two of the Town Bakers — It was agreed by the Selectmen that there should be 4 ounces instead of 2 ounces difference in the weight between 4^{d}. white Loaf Bread & 4^{d}. Superfine Brick Bread — and the Clerks of the Market were accordingly acquainted with this alteration, for their government in the weighing the same —

The Selectmen direct the Town Clerk to take Bonds of M^{r}. Nazro Clerk of the market agreeable to the Vote of the Town — his Father to be bound with him the penalty £250

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 15, 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Price,

M^{r}. Seaver appointed to apply to M^{r}. Winship for the procuring two other Bulls for the Town, to be put under the care of M^{r}. Hamlin untill the further Orders of the Selectmen said Hamlin to be directed to let said Bulls go at large upon the Common as soon as they are purchased —

The Selectmen have fixed the Rent of the House occupied by M^{r}. Jesse Houghton at £15 — p Annum to commence the 6th. of Aprill Ins^{t} —

sent Treasurer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 21, 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Andrews, Price,

Capt. Tyler & M^{r}. Dorr, appointed a Committee relative to a Pump standing in the high way in Fish Street — Report That the

Town allow and pay the sum of thirty six shillings provided a new Pump is put in & compleated at the Expense of the Inhabitants of the Vicinity — Voted that the aforegoing Report be accepted —

Mr. Price, Mr. Boardman & Mr. Andrews a Committee to view the Street in Cornhill & Report what Repairs is necessary —

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Walley a Committee to order the filling up the holes in Fort Hill —

[**169.**] Alexander Davidson Sexton of the North Church admitted as a Funeral Porter, to break Ground in the several Burial Grounds — and to ring the Bell & take care of the Clock as has been done by former Sextons

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 27. 1789 Present Messrs: Boardman, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Price, Sever,

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows Vizt. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1 –	8 –	8
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal,	must weigh	3	0 –	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian	must weigh	4	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price,	must weigh	–	4	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price,	must weigh	–	9	8
a 4d. White Loaf of Bread	must weigh	1	12	8

Passed upon Accompts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 29. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Price, Tyler, Walley, Andrews,

Mr. Ebenezer Wells prays liberty to open a Drain from his House in Cold Lane into the Common Shore —

Liberty granted provided the Ground is made good and the Pavement restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Commee. to view the Pavement in Cornhill having Reported, they were directed to proceed in the business as soon as may be —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 4t. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Tyler, Walley, Andrews,

[**170.**] The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Tuesday, the 12 Day of May Instt. 10 OClock A: M: — for the choice of Representatives &c

Mr. Walley & Mr. Andrews - - - a Committee to wait on Dr. Howard - - - and to desire him to open the ensuing Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Ezekiel Russell — to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting —

Dr. Rogerson — informs the Selectmen that a Child of one Morse living at the Head of Cruffs Wharff, has broke out with the Small Pox —

Mr. Dorr, Capt. Tyler & Deacon Boardman a Commee. to go to

the House of Mr. Morse, to make enquiry & give the proper directions as to the removal of his Child —

Voted, that in future two Constables only shall receive pay for their attendance at each Town Meeting, and Mr. Homans & Mr. Whitney are appointed for the ensuing Town Meeting, & constant attendance will be expected from them sent —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 6. 1789, Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Andrews,

The Committee to go to Mr. Morses House, Reported That they had sent Mrs. Morse & her Child to Rainsfords Island —

The Selectmen have appointed the Revd. Mr. Freeman to pronounce an Oration on the 4t. of July next —

Mr. Price & Mr. Andrews a Committee to see Mr. Freeman, and acquaint him, with the appointment and receive his answer —

[171.] Mr. Dorr & Mr. Walley a Committee to view Henchmans Lane, and if it appears that there has been a general dessolation, then to acquire of the Abutters on said Lane, what proportions they will pay of the charge & expence of enlarging or widening said Lane —

Mr. Nazro is directed to acquaint Mr. Homans that the Selectmen request his attendance next Wednesday

(he was informed)

Mr. Scollay requested to take orders for the removal of the Lamps at divers Places to the upper Chamber of Faneuil Hall — (reconsidered) — see to-day

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 13. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Boardman, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Andrews

The Selectmen have made choice of Revd. Dr. Stillman to deliver an Oration on the 4t. of July next to commemorate the Independence of the United States agreeable to a Vote of the Town —

Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to wait upon Dr. Stillman, and acquaint him with this appointment —

A former Vote relative to Lamps is reconsidered, see May 6 —, and the Officers of the Pollice, are to be directed to employ three suitable Persons, to bring all the Lamps to the Chamber over Faneuil Hall —

Mr. Price, Mr. Sever & Mr. Walley, a Committee relative to a Water Course near the Hay Market —

The Selectmen appoint Mr. Hamblin to take care of the Town Bulls for three Months, from the time he received the Bulls, being the Day of May — at the rate of Eighteen pounds p Annum, on which terms he agreed to take care of them, but the Town to find Hay

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 20. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Sever, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Hatch,

[172.] A Son of one Morse an Inhabitant of Medfield being

taken with the Small Pox was sent down to Capt. Lahas Hospital, to be taken care of by the Town of Medfield or the Commonwealth —

M^{r}. Hamlin appeared and informed the Selectmen, that one of the Town Bulls had this Day so gored a Horse owned by Ezra Davis of Roxbury, as that its death was expected —

M^{r}. Hopestill Foster proposes David Wait of Roxbury Leather Dresser & David Wood Junr. of Charlestown Esq. — as his Bondsmen, for payment of the Rent of the Hay Engine being £146 — p Annum, to be paid the Town Treasurer Monthly & to commence the and in case of failur, herein another Person will be appointed in his room — see below

Capt. Joab Hunt of Engine N°. 2 proposes Ronald Campbell as an Engine Man for his Company in the room of Daniel Lillie who is too aged & infirm to attend the service —

The Bondsmen proposed by Hopestill Foster who appeared to the Selectmen to have the qualities pointed out by the Town as proper for the Office of Hay Weigher, are accepted by the Selectmen as sufficient Bonds Men — and the Town Clerk is directed to prepare the Bonds for their signing —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to acquaint Capt. Ballard that the Selectmen propose that M^{r}. Foster should take possession of the Hay Engine on Monday next being the 25^{t}. Ins^{t}. — Mem^{o}. the Rent does not commence until the 30^{t}. of said May informed M^{r}. Nazro

The Selectmen have agreed to meet at their Chamber on Fryday next, 4 OClock Afternoon —

The Selectmen have agreed to view Pleasant Street to Morrow 4. OClock & to meet on the Spot —

[**173.**] M^{r}. Reuben Thayer applied to the Selectmen for their approbation as an Inholder for the Tavern lately occupied by the Widow Cooper in Wings Lane — and he was accordingly approbated —

Mem^{o}. M^{r}. Edmund Ranger to have a draft for a Premium for Fire next Draft — see March 4^{t}. —

drawn for see May 25 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 22^{d}. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Sever, Andrews, Walley, Hatch, Boardman

The Committee to wait on D^{r}. Stillman Reported that he would comply with the invitation received by delivering an Oration on the 4^{t}. of July next, agreeable to the Vote of the Town —

The Town at their Meeting on the 14^{t}. Ins^{t}. having Voted, "that it be left to the Gentlemen Selectmen to affix Salaries for the Masters & Ushers of the public Schools, and all other Matters relative to said Masters & Ushers for the time to come" — The Selectmen in conformity to said Vote after due consideration have Agreed that the several Salaries aforementioned be Voted Quarterly, and that what may be now assigned them for the last Quarter, is not to be considered as a Standard for future Allowances — It was then Voted, that, —

Mr. Samuel Hunt Master of the So. Gramr. School be allowed, for the last Quarter, ending the 1st June next	- -	£35 – —
Mr. Nathan Davis (has a house) Master of the No. Gramr. School - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	32 – 10
and for House Rent for said Quarter - - - -	do. -	5 – —
Mr. John Tileston Master of No. Writing School for 1 Qur. - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	30 – —
and for House Rent one Quarter - - - - - -	do. -	5 – —
Mr. James Carter Master Writing School in Queen Street - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	30 – —
and for House Rent one Quarter has a House	- -	0 – —
Mr. John Vinal, Master of Writ. School in the Common - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	30 – —
and for House Rent one Quar. - - - - - - -	do. -	5 – —
Mr. Samuel Cheney Master of Writ. School in Middle Street - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	30 – —
and for House Rent one Quarter - - - - - -	do. -	5 – —
Mr. Elisha Ticknor in consideration of his not having any allowance for House Rent - - - -	do. -	32 – 10
Carried over - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- -	£240 – —
[174.] Amount of Masters Salaries & House Rent brought over - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- -	£240 – —
Voted, that Mr. Amos Dingby Usher of So. Grammar School be allowed for the last Quarter ending 1t. June next - - - - - - - - - - - -	- - -	20 – —
Mr. Nathan Webb, Usher of the No. Writing School - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	17 – 10
Mr Robert Fox usher of So Writ. School in Queen Street - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	do. -	17 – —
Voted, that there be allowed for all assistants to the Writing Master — £9 — each making — there being three - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- -	27 – —
The Quarterly charge of schools amounts to		£322 – —

Voted, that Mr. Dorr, Tyler & Boardman be a Committee to inspect Master Davis Tyleston & Cheneys Schools as often as they shall think proper, but not less than twice a Month

That Mr. Scollay Price & Andrews be a Committee to Inspect Mr. Hunt & Carters Schools —

That Mr. Walley Sever & Hatch be a Committee to inspect Mr. Vinal & Ticknors Schools —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 25. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Boardman, Dorr, Tyler, Seaver, Hatch, Andrews.

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p. Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - - -	1 –	8 –	8
a 4d. ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh - - -	3 –	0 –	0
a 4d. ditto not above ½ Indian - - d°. - - - -	4 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price - - - d°. - - - -	–	4 –	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - - d°. - - - -	–	9 –	8
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - -	1 –	12 –	8

Passed upon Accounts

[**175.**] Voted. that Mr. Edmund Ranger of Engine N°. 7 have a draught for a Fire Premium as applied for March 4t —

The Selectmen having viewed Pleasant Street Report — That from the entrance of Pleasant Street from Orange Street it is 30 feet extending thro'. the Land formerly Mr. Bennets, which extends about half way thro' Pleasant Street, from thence to the end of the Street opposite Mr. Tuckermans 36 feet, taking the measurement from the left hand side of the Street, as it runs from Orange Street along by the Land of Porters formerly Harringtons & Hewes Land as it is bounded on the Street, to the end of the Street, opposite Tuckermans Estate —

Mr. Hatch & Mr. Sever a Committee to view the Hay Market, and make such allowances for any articles Mr. Ballard may leave behind as they shall reasonable & Cost

Mr. Bayley having produced the Town County & State Taxes, in Receipt for Taxes for the Years 1786 & 1787. & requested his Bonds for those Years may be delivered him — the Town Clerk was directed to deliver him the same and they were delivered accordingly —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever a Committee to examine Mr. Blayneys Accounts & make Report to the Board —

Capt. Nicholas Pierce of Engine N°. 9. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town, for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Averys Wharff — whereupon

Voted, that he have a draft for £1 – 8 — in this Months Draught — (drawn for)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 28 1789 Present Messrs. Dorr, Price, Tyler, Boardman, Scollay, Walley,

Mr. Wellman on his application had liberty to open his Drain from his House into the Common Shore — Liberty was granted, he making good the Ground to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

[**176.**] Passed upon other Accounts —

The Ancient & Honble. Artillery Company having asked by a Committee, the use of Faneuil Hall for a Dinner, on Monday next, being the Artillery Election Day the same was granted —

Mr. Sever appointed to dispose of the Bull which gored the Horse —

Mr. Dorr added to the Committee on the Market and said Committee are desired to adjust all matters relative thereto — and to Report as soon possible

The Draught for this Month has been examined by the Selectmen,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 3d. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Boardman, Seaver, Hatch

Mr. Walley appointed a Committee to draught a Petition to be laid before the General Court respecting the demand made by the Treasurer for Cudworths dificiency as Tax gatherer, on account of the Commonwealth —

Mr. Booth to be derected to send the Key of the Hogs Pen to Mr. Skinner a Hogreeve to get one made from it — that he may have access to the Inclosure —

Voted, that Mr. Ezra Davis of Roxbury be paid nine Pounds lawful Money for which he is to have a draft next Draught Day, being in full for the damage sustained by his Horse being goaded by the Town Bull —

Mr. James Williams to have a Stall in the Market for the Sale of Shoes, which the Committee is to deliver him, when the Town Clerk is to Report the same to the Town Treasurer —

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee to make another Door into the Pound at the North End if practicable, and give the Key of the same to John Skinner Hogreeve —

[**177.**] Colo. Hatch is added to the Committee for examining Beacon Hill. and doing what may be necessary, for the preservation thereof —

Mr. Sever a Committee to repair any damage that may arise to the Rails &c. enclosing the Common —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 10t. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Tyler, Boardman, Price, Andrews, Hatch,

Ordered, that on Account of the rise of the price of Flour, since the last Statement, said Assize of Bread be altered, and now set at Wheat 6/6 p Bushel and that 12d p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1 –	4 –	12
a 4d. ditto. ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh - - - -	2 –	8 –	0
a 4d. ditto not above ½ Indian Meal must weigh - -	3 –	0 –	0
Biskets of a Copper price - - - - - do. - - -		– 4 –	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - - - - do. - - -		– 8 –	4

Mr. Thompson Collector of Taxes for 1787. having produced the several Treasurers Receipts for the County & Town Taxes for said Year, he had a draught for his Premium in the last months draught —

Agreable to the desire of Mr. Thompson, the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bonds given the said Year — and they were delivered accordingly —

Mr. Tileston Constable of the South Watch proposes Ephraim Hunt as a Watch Man in the room of Stephen Hayden who can not attend

Mr. Scollay, Price, & Hatch a Committee to wait on Governor

Hancock & acquaint him that they have proposed that the Oration on the 4t. of July next, be delivered at the old South Church —

[**178.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 17. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Walley, Andrews, Seaver,

The Committee chosen for the purpose waited upon the Governor, & informed him that Dr. Stillman was appointed to deliver the Oration on the 4t. of July next — who returned a reply, that who ever should deliver the Oration & wherever it should be delivered he purposed to give his attendance his health permitting —

Mr. Walley, Dorr, & Boardman, a Committee to direct a partition to be erected in the Chamber over Faneuil Hall for the better security of the Lamps —

The Selectmen gave a Certificate, that Mrs. Sarah Snow Widow of James Snow, late a Sergeant in Capt. Biggelows Compy of Colo. Cranes Regiment, was in their opinion the proper Person to receive what may remain due to her said Husband for wages while in Continental service —

A Child with its Mother of the Name of Flin now in the Alms house, was sent down to Rainsford Island, both to be supported at the charge of the Commonwealth — the Child having the Small-Pox out, & only two Years of age & very much debilitated, made it necessary that the Mother should accompany it — also an Infant was sent who had lain with the Child who has the Small Pox

Six Grand Jurors for the Court of Common Pleas — &c were chosen by Ballot — and nine petit Jurors were drawn as usual — and entred on the Jury Books —

Benjamin Emmons, Cooper appointed by the Selectmen as an Inspector of all Barreld pickled Fish Pork & Beef — His Oath of office was administred by the Town Clerk —

Hopestill Foster approved of to Retail Spirituous Liquors at a Shop near Hay Market —

[**179.**] Mr. Thomas K. Jones Auchtionier produced his Receipts that he had paid £48 — 10 / — & 10d on one p cent Duty up to April 1789 . . . to the State Treasurer — & proposes the Bondsmen of last Year, for the present

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 23d 1789 Present Messrs Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews, Walley, Sever, Hatch Boardman —

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Walley a Committee to wait on Dr. Bulfinch and ask permission for making use of their Church for the delivery of an Oration the 4t. of July next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews Walley, Sever, Boardman, Hatch,

Mr. Lewis Hoyt Auchtioneer for last Year, produced Receits from the State Treasurer that he had paid £38 10/ on one p

cent Duty to 20t. Inst. — and proposes his Bondsmen of last Year for the present —

The Selectmen have Agreed to attend the Visitation of the Schools on Wednesday the 8t. Day of July next, and the several Masters are to be enformed thereof —

The Petition of a number of Persons for calling a Town Meeting, for Inoculation to be granted if the Town Judge proper — was read. Voted —

That the consideration of this Petition, be referred for the present

Capt. Ridgway of Engine No. 6 applys for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Nowells House at New Boston —

Voted, that he have a draft for the 28/ allowed by the Town, the next draft Day — drawn for

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 28. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Andrews, Walley, Boardman

Capt. Ruben Loud Master of the Brigt. Boston & Liverpool Packet arrived in the Harbour this Morning [**180.**] and informs the Selectmen, that since he left Liverpool which was 79 days past, He was taken down with the Small Pox being taken about 8 Days after he left Liverpool — that he was confined to his Cabin which was separated from the Sterage by a Bulk head, about fourteen Days, & that on his recovery his Cabbin was several times well smoked together with his Bedding Linnen &c. — that no Person on board had the Distemper or were likely to take it — whereupon Dr. Appleton went on board by direction of the Selectmen to examine into Circumstances — who Reported that he did not apprehend danger from her unloading, but would notwithstanding advise to her having another smoaking — the Brigt. was accordingly well smoked again, & the Clothing & Bedding under direction of Mr. Weld an Officer of the Police as by his return on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 29. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay Andrews, Sever Boardman, Price,

Ordered that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1	4	12
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	must weigh	2	8	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	do.	3	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price	do.		4	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price	do.		8	4
a 4d. Loaf of White Bread,	must weigh	1	8	12

Passed upon Accompts —

Mr. Williams a Collector of Taxes for the Years 1786 & —

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 4. of July next 9. OClock A: M: the Day on which Inde-

pendence was declared. Anno 1776. — Mem°. Notifications are not to be printed —

[181.] William Cunningham appointed a Sealer of Wood in this Town at large — this Vote was reconsidered — Mr. Turel Tuttle applies for as a Paver.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay Dorr, Price, Andrews, Walley, Hatch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Williams Collector of Taxes for the Years 1786 & 1787 having produced the several Treasurers Receipts in full for all the Monies collected for these Years — The Town Clerk was directed to deliver up said Bonds — and they were accordingly delivered him —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 8. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Sever Boardman Hatch

The Selectmen accompanied by a number of Gentlemen Visited the public Schools in this Town, and found them in very good Order —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 14. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Price, Hatch, Andrews, —

The Town Clerk is directed to postpone the delivery of a Copy of the Vote of the Selectmen appointing Mr. Cunningham a Sealer of Wood at large, which passed the 29. of June last; untill the further Orders of the Selectmen —

On Application, the Selectmen permit the Blacks to have the use of Mr. Vinals School for public worship, on the Afternoons of the Lords Day, untill the further Orders of the Selectmen; provided the public Exercises are to begin at the Hour on which the several Churches in the Town are called together — & that Mr. Vinal delivered the Key of the Schoolhouse for the purpose aforesaid —

Agreed to Visit Deer Island, on Monday next, being the 20t. Inst.

[182.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 17. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Price Boardman Walley, Sever, Tyler, Andrews

Met for the choice of extra Jurors, for the Court of Common Pleas — the Jurors drawn & chosen, were entred in the Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Selectmens Chamber July 20t. Present Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley Boardman Sever Hatch

From the Chamber the Selectmen & Gentlemen who accompanied them went on board the Packet & proceeded for Deer Island; had an agreeable time, & the pleasure of finding the

Island in a much better state as to culture & produce than it has been some Years past —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 22. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever,

Voted, to have a Conference with the Gentlemen. The Overseers of the Poor, next Fryday 4. O Clock Afternoon with respect to the Act lately passed relative to the Poor &^{c}. provided, it should be agreable to those Gentlemen —

M^{r}. Scollay Dorr & Tyler a Committee to view the North Battery so called, to Morrow 11. OClock in order to settle a dispute relative to a Passage Way —

Maj^{r}. Heath applies to the Selectmen for employ in the paving way —

The following Gentlemen have been appointed Sealers or Measurers of Wood, for the Year ensuing; their respective Districts to be assigned them Wednesday next — Viz^{t}. —

Capt. John Ballard
Edward Weld
Thomas Uran
William Cunningham

Voted, that the Town Treasurer [**183.**] be advised to purchase State Securities or Orders of such sorts & kinds, as may be most for the interest of the Town to discharge a balance of £74 — 18 /. due from the Town to the Commonwealth on M^{r}. Cudworth a late Collector of Taxes deficiency, as liquidated by the State Treasurer agreable to a Resolve of the General Court of the 26^{t}. of June 1789 and procure a discharge therewith on the Warrant now out against the Assessors for the said balance, which transaction is to be laid before the Town for their approbation the next Town Meeting — sent

The Selectmen have agreed, that the Owner of each Cow shall annually pay four Shillings p Annum to the Collector that shall be appointed by the Selectmen except such Persons as may keep up their Cows, which shall be only two Shillings, the produce of which is to be applied for the purchase & keeping of y^{e}. Town Bulls & other Charges thereon — gave a copy to M^{r}. Coffin

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 24. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Walley, Boardman, —

The Overseers of the Poor, attended agreeable to the proposal made them on the 22^{d}. Inst^{t}. and the late Acts relative to the Poor — were read, when it appeared to the Gentlemen attending, that said Acts must in their opperation, prove greatly to the disadvantage of the Town, as it will be impossible for the same to be attended to, as in the other Towns in the State and that it will be expedient to make application to the General Court at their next Session, for an exception as a Town or such relief as the Court may Judge proper —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 27. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Price, Seaver, Scollay, Walley,

M^r. Nazro was directed to warn the Gentlemen to whom the dispute between the Proprietors of the Neck & the Town are to be referred to meet at the Selectmens Chamber next Tuesday 9 O'Clock. — A : M —

[184.] Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^d. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - -	1	4	12
a 4^d. Ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal, must weigh - -	2	8	0
a 4^d. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal, must weigh -	3	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh - - - -		4	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weigh - - - -		8	4
a 4^d. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	8	12

Passed upon Accounts —

Voted, that the Districts of the several Measurers of Wood by Water appointed the 22^d. Ins^t. — be affixed as follows Viz^t.

Capt. John Ballards, from Cross Street to Governor Hancocks Wharff, inclusive —

William Cunninghams, from Scarlets Wharff to the North Mills inclusive & from Henry Hills Wharff to the Southward — sent

Edward Welds, from Cross Street to Woodwards Wharff inclusive —

Thomas Uran from Millers Wharff to Col^o. Hatches Wharff, inclusive —

The Selectmen agree to meet at their Chamber to Morrow Morning 9. O.Clock, relative to paving Neck &^c. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28^t 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Walley Sever,

The Proprietors, of the Neck together with the Selectmen on the part of the Town, met & mutually Agreed to submit the dispute, relative to the filling up & paving the sides of the Neck to the following Gentlemen — Viz^t. — to Commissary Devens Capt. Cordis of Charlestown Thomas Clark of Roxbury, Judge Wendell & Deacon Mason, said Gentlemen

(agreable to a Vote of the Town)

[185.] After hearing the Parties, or the major part of them, to determine what shall be done and by whom in order to make the Ways passable as soon as may be —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 29, 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Andrews, Walley

Passed upon other Accounts —

M^r. Sever & Col^o. Hatch appointed to remove the Bulls Barn, upon the Towns Land, provided that they shall find it for the Towns Interest, to be at the charge —

The Selectmen having examined the returned Lists of Licensed

Persons the Year past -- a Return was made to the Justices of the Court of Sessions in the form of the last by Mr. Nazro —

Next Wednesday Assigned to determine the number of Auchtioneers for the present Year, and consider on the Applications —

Mr. John Badger Auchtioneer, applies to the Selectmen for an appointment the present Year as Auchtioneer & produced Treasurers Receit to the 17 of April last for paymt. of State Duties — proposes John Leach Gentleman & Leach Goldsmith as his Bondsmen for the present Year—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 5t. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Tyler, Sever, Price, Andrews, Walley,

Mr. Joshua Eaton Auchtioneer produces Treasurers Receipt for Duties from 1788 — to April 1789 — requests to be again approbated — & proposes his last Years Bondsmen for the present —

Agreed to allow five Pounds for Gravel for Goose Street

Capt. Green, Auchtioneer, produced Treasurers Receits for dutys to April 15. 1789 — proposes Bondsmen the same as last Year

Mr. Jacob Adams produces Receits from Treasurer for dutys to 27. April — proposes Bondsmen the same as last Year —

James Adlington & Ebenezer French applys to be Watchmen, if Vacancys take place —

[**186.**] Colo. Procter Auchtioneer, produced Treasurers Receits for dutys paid to Augt. 1789 — proposes Bondsmen the same as last Year —

Theodore Barrel applys to be appointed an Auchtioneer for the present Year — & was approved of by Selectmen

Robert Mollineux applys to be appointed an Auchtioneer for the present Year — & was approved of by the Selectmen — proposes William Boardman & John May as his Bondsmen —

Mr. John Symms Auchtioneer produced Treasurers Receipts for dutys paid to 17t. April 1789 — proposes Thomas Knox. Pilot Levi Lane as his Bondsmen —

Selectmen agree to meet next Fryday 4. OClock P: M: to consider new Petitions for Licenses —

Mr. Walley Andrews Colo. Hatch a Committee relative to repairing the bottom of Milk Street, according to their best Judgement —

Mr. Sever & Colo. Hatch a Committee to enquire relative to Eliot Street — (Petition relative thereto on file) — also to repair a small piece of Pavement near Mr. Bass;

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Andrews to view Mr. Pierces Land & see if there is any incroachment

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt: 7 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Hatch,

Passed upon Petitions for Inholders & Retailers for the Town of Boston —

see Decemr. following for entry of Names &c.

Selectmen have Agreed to visit Rainsfords Island Wednesday the 19t. of August next —

Whereas in the Opinion of the Selectmen, some late publications have greatly injured the moral character of Mr. Hunt the Master of the South Grammar School — therefore. Voted, that Mr. Hunt attend the Board at their Chamber Wednesday next at 4. OClock P: M: that enquiry may be made as to this matter —

Mr. Nazro directed to require the attendance of the several Constables of the Town Watch, next Wednesday 3. OClock

[**187.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 12. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Price, Andrews, Hatch, Walley,

A Committee from the Assessors enformed the Selectmen that the Tax Bills will be ready for delivery next Week —

Mr. Hunt attended & being heard by the Selectmen on the matter of the publications, he was informed that it was their Opinion that no time ought to be lost by him in endeavouring to find out & bring to Justice the Author or Authors, of publications that greatly effected his moral character, and in case they are supported must totally disqualify him from being a Master of one of the public Schools —

sent by Mr. Nazro see Sepr. 23d.

Mr. Charles Coffin is appointed by the Selectmen to Collect of the Owners of Cows in this Town, the Sums stated & assessed by the Selectmen agreeable to the By Law, on said Owners for the support of Bulls & who gave a Copy to Mr. Coffin —

A Motion made for reconsidering the Vote for visiting Rainsford, did not obtain —

The Selectmen have agreed to meet Fryday next 5. OClock P: M: in order to make a List of Company to go on the Visit to Rainsford Island, & a Bill of fare —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 14t. — 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Andrews, Walley, Tyler, Boardman, Hatch, —

Made out a List for Visitation of Rainsford Island next Wednesday, also a Bill of Fare —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 19 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews, Walley, Tyler, Boardman, Hatch, Sever,

Proceeded with a number of Gentlemen from the Hall to the Boats & Visited the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, — found every thing in good order —

[**188.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 26. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews Tyler, Walley Boardman Sever Hatch —

Messrs: Hutchinson & Singleton, Appointed Inspectors of Pickled Fish, Beef & Pork, they having been well recommended —

William Robinson from Philadelphia (where he had served an Apprenticeship with a Chimney Sweeper) appointed by the Selectmen as Chimney Sweeper for this Town — and had the Badge of his Office being N°. 12 delivered him he resides at Mr. Munrows, South End — Mr. Munrow engages for his good behavior, & will acquaint the Selectmen, if his conduct should be otherwise —

The Town Clerk is directed to acquaint the Collector of Taxes, that the Tax Books are now ready to be delivered them; & they are desired to be at the Selectmens Chamber to Morrow 11. OClock to propose their Bondsmen

sent p Mr. Nazro

Mr. Caleb Wheaton has Stalls N°. 13. & 21. in Faneuil Hall Market, which he has occupied since the first of March last —

Mr. Dorr & Deacon Boardman a Committee to examine the Constables Account, & to Report at Draft Day —

The Proprietor of Boston Neck, have been requested to attend at Selectmens Chamber Wednesday next 3. OClock in order to confer with them on the subject of Repairs — gave Mr. Sever —

Mr. Hopestill Foster is requested to look out & give information to the Selectmen of such Person or Persons as shall presume to take Gravel from Fox Hill at the bottom of the Common —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27. 1789 Present Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Hatch, Walley,

Mr. Bayley proposes his last Years Bondsmen for the present as Collector of Taxes — (approved)

[189.] Mr. Collector Henderson proposes his last Years Bondsmen as Bond Men for the present Year — approved

Mr. Collector Thompson proposes his Bondsmen of the last Year, as his Sureties for the present Year —

P. S: accepted & not T. D

Mr. Collector Williams proposes for his Bondsmen the present Year — the same he had for the last — (approved)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 31 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Walley,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t. —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^d. Loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1	4	12
a 4^d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal,	must weigh	2	8	0
a 4^d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal,	must weigh	3	0	0
Biskets of a Copper price,	must weigh		4	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price,	must weigh		8	4
a 4^d. Loaf of white Bread	must weigh	1	8	12

Passed upon Accompts —

Mr. Collector Thompson proposes Mr. Joseph Russell Junr. as his Bondsmen, — approved of by the Selectmen —

Mr. Shubael Hews appointed to notice & enform against such Person or Persons as are guilty of breach of Law in Firing Guns,

charged, in the Common, Boston Neck or any other parts of the Town excepted against, that the penalty provided for such offences may be immediately recovered let whomsoever be the Offender — the Inspector to continue his services untill the 28th of December next --

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen September [2] 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Andrews, Hatch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

[**190.**] Liberty granted to Revd. Dr. Lothrop to open a Drain from his House into the Common Shore —

Liberty granted Mr. Maud to pave before his House. provided it be done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Messrs. Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Boardman, Walley a Committee to view the lower part of State Street & Report what they apprehend will be the best method of repairing the same —

The Selectmen having considered the Petition of the Blacks, for the use of Master Cheneys School House, it was Voted, not to grant their request for that House for preaching, as it would be out of the usual hours for public Worship — but that they had no objection to their improving Master Vinals, for public Worship in the Afternoon of Lords Days at the time that other Assemblys are at worship — and that Mr Vinal let them have the Key of his School-house at the time that the first Bell rings for the Afternoon service — and a Letter was wrote the Blacks minister accordingly —

It is agreed to allow Nathaniel Tolman two Shillings p Week for the Boarding & clothing of an illegetemate Child of about seven Years old, — the reputed Father being a Stranger & not an Inhabitant of any Town in this State — the Childs name Polly Nuttage —

Mr. Seaver & Colo. Hatch a Committee to view a Water Course near Mr. Mays House So. End — & to see repairs made in the pavement, in said Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 9. 1789 Present Messrs Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Andrews, Hatch,

Mr. Robert Mollineux proposes as his Bondsmen William Boardman & John May both of Boston & Merchants for his Bondsmen as Auchtioneer —

They are approved of by the Selectmen

The Committee on State Street, Report, that the repairing the same be suspended for some time —

[**191.**] Mr. Sever & Mr. Andrews a Committee relative to Mr. Austins Gravel —

Upon the application of Mr. Dalton & Dr. Dexter the Selectmen Agree to allow Ten Dollars towards a new Pump in Milk Street near Daltons Street, provided they ever after keep it in repair according to their proposal

Henry Blackburn being well recommended is appointed a Chimney Sweeper, for this Town and Badge No. 13. has been delivered him — the Recommendation on file —

The Selectmen gave a Certificate that Elizabeth Smalledge is the Widow of Samuel Smalledge deceased a Private in the 8 Massachusetts Regiment Col°. Jackson & in their Opinion the proper Person to receive what is due for wages &c: while in the Continental service

Mr. Solomon Cotton appears & gives information that Jacob Fowles a Shoemaker from Abington has hired his House to live in & works with Mr. Bangs the Shoemaker —

The Committee appointed relative to a Nusance near Hog Alley, Report as their Opinion that the Town ought not to be put to any Expence therefor, but think the Persons who had Hog Alley given to them should be at the expence to prevent any difficulty whatever agreeable to a Report of a Committee appointed by the Town in the Year 1773.

The Selectmen agree to meet next Tuesday 3. OClock P: M: to consider the Proposal for a new System relative to Education —

[**192.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. [15] 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley, Sever Boardman, Hatch Andrews

A Letter wrote the Proprietors of the 1400 feet on the Neck as p Copy on file —

The proposals for a new System of public Education was laid before the Selectmen, whereupon —

Voted, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Thursday the 23d. Inst. 10. OClock Forenoon

Messrs: Coverly & Compy. have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

see below —

The following was sent Mr. Donegane — Vizt. —

The Selectmen would acquaint Mr. Donagane that a great number of the Inhabitants of the Town are very much dissatisfied at his repeated Exhibitions at Concert Hall, and would give it as their advice that he desist from any further practices of the kind —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 16. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Hatch, Price, Andrews,

Constables Hews & Butterfield, appointed to attend at the ensuing Town Meeting — sent by Nazro —

The Selectmen have agreed with Mr. Baker to keep the Cape Cod Woman named Deborah Perce, brought up by Mr. Newcomb who is near lying in — eight Shillings p Week, for her Board —

Mr. Sever, Hatch, & Walley, a Committee to join a Committee on the part of the Proprietors of the 1400 feet of Land on the Neck in order to make the Repairs on both side of the Neck, said length of Land, agreeable to the Report of the Referrees — see Papers Recordd in Book of Deeds Page —

An Account of Capt. Partridges against the Town of Charlestown to the amount of £24. 11. 4½ was delivered to Mr. Walley to be handed to Commissary Devens in order to be laid before the Selectmen of said Town —

The application of the Blacks for a Person among them to have the burying of the^{r} Dead — not granted —

[**193.**] Joseph Cowden & Samuel Maynard, apply for a License to retail Spirituous Liquors at their Store in Orange Street —

M^{r}. Dorr appointed a Committee to order the filling up of a hole on Mill Bridge —

Deacon Boardman appointed to apply unto M^{r}. Winslow, for repairing the Way, in Cold Lane —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 23^{d}. 1789 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Sever, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Price,

The Selectmen approve of the method & steps pursued by Master Hunt, for clearing himself from the aspersions thrown upon his Character in some late publications, in pursuance of their advice given him in writing the 12^{t}. of August last — and it is with great satisfaction, that they can say he has done it so effectually, that his Character now appears in as fair a point of light, as it did before said publications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 28. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Price, Boardman

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
A 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - -	1 —	4 —	12
A 4^{d}. ditto $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal, must weigh -	2 —	8 —	0
A 4^{d}. ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal, must weigh,	3 —	0 —	0
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh - - - -		4 —	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weigh - - -		8 —	4
A 4^{d}. loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - -	1 —	8 —	12

Passed upon Accounts —

M^{r}. Price, Andrews, & Boardman a Committee to view the pavement near Concert Hall —

[**194.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^{r}. [30] 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Walley, Andrews, Hatch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Liberty is granted to M^{r}. Samuel Salsbury, to build a Tomb in the Chapel Burying Ground, —

Col^{o}. Hatch M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to view Essex Street —

For Persons approbated for Licenses see Decr. 30^{t}. 1789

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 7 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Hatch, Walley, Boardman

Voted, that M^{r}. Homans being so much engaged in public

business, as has prevented his giving sufficient attention to his duty as one of the Officers of police & another Officer shall be appointed for that department —

Voted, that two Persons be appointed as Officers of the Police in addition to Mr. Wells who now acts in said Office to whom will be committed the business, of making enquiry & reporting to the Selectmen, the Names of all Strangers that have come into this Town or may come into it since the passing an Act relative to Inhabitancy —

Voted, that Nathaniel Henchmen be appointed for the term of three Months one of the Officers of Police for this Town —

Mr. Price appointed to order repairs to Water Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Fryday Octor. 9 [1789] Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Boardman

Agreeable to notice given by the Selectmen — Joseph Gardner, Joseph Greenleaff, Samuel Barrett, Thomas Crafts Thomas Dawes Junr. Thomas Edwards, Nathaniel Green. Esq. met the Selectmen in order to widen Prince Street — Both Justices & Selectmen proceeded to said Street, and agreed to have said Street widened — and Mr. Dorr & Tyler were appointed a Committee to see the same carried into execution —

[**195.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 14. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr Scollay, Price, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Hatch,

Mr. Sever & Mr. Scollay a Committee to view the burying Ground near the Stone Chapel, and Report whither a spot can be had, for accommodating Capt. Ford with a Tomb —

Voted, that Francis Moor be appointed an Officer of the Police for this Town —

The following Orders were given each of the three Inspectors of the Police — Vizt. —

You being appointed Inspector of the Police for the Town of Boston are directed by the Selectmen in addition to other duties respecting said office to make a strict inquiry of all Strangers that are or may come into ye. Town, and take both the Christian & Sir Names of such Persons with the part of the Town they reside in, and of what House together with the Town Country or State they came from or belong to and make returns of *all such* to the Selectmen at their room on every Wednesday afternoon

By order of the Selectmen

William Cooper Town Clerk

The Districts assigned, as follows —

Mr. Wells's Commences from the South side of Milk Street & Bromfields Lane, and all to the southward of said House including Boston Neck —

Mr. Moores, is from the South side of Milk Street & Bromfields Lane inclusive of all to the East & West within House Bounds —

Mr. Henchmans bounds Vizt. —

From the Mill Creek through the whole of the North End of the Town —

Mr. Francis Moor is appointed an Inspector of the several Watchmen in the Town Watch —

Mr. Dorr & Tyler a Committee to view the Water course by Charles River Bridge —

[**196.**] The Chairman & Colo. Hatch to see the Consul of France & propose, that a troublesome Frenchman like to be a charge to the public may be taken on board the French Fleet —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 15. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Sever, Tyler —

Mr. Scollay Reported, that he had seen the Consul who had discovered the French Commander who stood ready to receive the French Man, on his being sent to Wheelwrights Wharff —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 20. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews, Boardman, Walley, Sever

The Selectmen met as a Committee of the Town with the other Gentlemen of the Committee appointed at the late Meeting to devise suitable ways, for receiving the President of the United States —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 21t. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Andrews Boardman Sever

The Committee to devise ways for the reception of the President, met again upon said business —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 26. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay Price, Andrews Tyler, Hatch Boardman —

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Vizt.

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. loaf of Brick Bread,	must weigh	1	4	12
a 4d. loaf of white Bread,	must weigh	1	8	12
Biskets of a Copper price,	must weigh		4	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price	must weigh		8	4
a 4d. Ditto ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal	do.	3	0	0

[**197.**] Mr. Scollay, Andrews, & Boardman a Committee for to order necessary Repairs for the Market House —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 28. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Boardman, Tyler, Price, Andrews, Seaver,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to give orders to empty the

Privy of Master Cheneys School — & remedy by some means the Water running into said vault —

The Petition relative to an old House at the North End of the Town — read — but no order taken thereon —

The Selectmen having considered the quantity of Wood wanted for the Public Schools —

Voted, that the supply for Vinals

	School be		8 Cord
For Mr. Ticknors	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	5 d°.
Mr. Hunts	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	6 d°.
Mr. Carter	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	7 d°.
Mr. Cheneys	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	5 d°.
Mr. Tileston	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	7 d°.
Mr. Davis	- - - - - -	d°. - - - - - -	2 d°.

for the present

Col°. Hatch appointed to procure	- -	Master Ticknors	Wood
Mr. Sever — d°.	- - - - - - -	Master Vinals	— d°.
Mr. Andrews — d°.	- - - - - - -	Master Hunts	— d°.
Mr. Scollay — d°.	- - - - - - -	Master Carters	— d°.
Mr. Boardman d°.	- - - - - - -	Master Chenies	— d°.
Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler —	- d°. - -	Master Tilestons	— d°.
Dito - - - d°.	- - - - - - -	Master Davis	— d°.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octobr. 29. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Andrews, Walley

Passed upon other Accounts

[**198.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 4h. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Andrews Walley, Boardman,

Mr. Francis Moor having been appointed an Inspector of the Police & among other duties assigned him, a particular one being to Visit the several Watch houses &c. — Orders were accordingly given him as by a Copy on the files of mixt papers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 11. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Andrews, Walley, Seaver Boardman Hatch

Mr. Walley and Mr. Price appointed a Committee to procure Warrants to be printed by Mr. Hall for the purpose of warning Paupers out of Town —

Deacon Boardman appointed to confer with the Overseers of the Poor respecting supplying the Husband of a Mrs. Mahony with Provisions &c. out of the Almshouse on the State Account the said Mahony being in a state of Insanity and therefore an unfit subject for the Alms house —

The three Inspectors of the Police Vizt., Mr. Weld Mr. Moor and Mr. Henchman appeared and produced their Books containing the List of Persons as Strangers in the Town, which Books being returned them, they were directed to go on with their enquiries, till the Warrants were ready to warn them regularly, by a Constable agreeable to Law —

M^r^. Moor Inspector of the *Watch particularly* made Report of remissness on the part of the several Watch Men, save those under the care of M^r^. Constable Edmonds at the North part of the Town —

M^r^. Seaver appointed to put two of the Bulls out to keeping untill April or otherways to dispose of them, as may be most for the Interest of the Town —

[**199.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 18. 1789 Present Messrs: Price, Dorr, Tyler, Walley, Sever, Andrews, Hatch —

M^r^. Walley, appointed to confer with the Overseers relative to the Inhabitancy of a Mary Everton a single Woman, sent by a Warr^t^. from Dorchester to this Town as an Inhabitant —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 25. 1789 Present Messrs. Dorr, Scollay, Walley, Sever, Price, Andrews — Hatch

M^r^. Walley & M^r^. Sever a Committee to wait on M^r^. Clark & confer with him relative to the Inhabitancy of Mary Everton —

M^r^. Tayler applied for Liberty to put down Posts before his Shop — Liberty according granted, provided they be placed, to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 30^t^. 1789 Present Messrs: Dorr, Seaver, Price Tyler, Andrews, Hatch,

Passed upon Accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^d^. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for the Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t^.

		lb. oz. dr.
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brick Bread	must weigh	1 – 4 – 12
a 4^d^. Loaf of white Bread	must weigh	1 – 8 – 12
Biskets of a Copper price	must weigh	– 4 – 2
Biskets of 2 Coppers price	must weigh	– 8 – 4
a 4^d^. Loaf of Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	d^o^.	2 – 8 – 0
a 4^d^. Loaf of Bread, not above half Indian	d^o^.	3 – 0 – 0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r^. 2^d^. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Walley, Tyler, Andrews, Seaver, Hatch —

Passed upon other Accounts —

[**200.**] Col^o^. Hatch appointed to examine the Accounts of Capt. Samuel Partridge Keeper of the Alms house —

The Town Clerk was directed to draw for the several Schoolmasters at the Rates they were drawn for last Quarter —

M^r^. Nazro to direct M^r^. Crage one of the Chimney Sweepers, to attend at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 9. 1789 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Price, Hatch —

Mr. Andrews & Mr. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to order Repairs to the Engine House on the Mill Bridge —

Mr. Scollay appointed a Committee to order Repairs to the Engine House at New Boston —

The Petition of Mr. Moore & others for the privilege of the Street Manure on the terms proposed being considered, the Selectmen Judged & determined that the prayer of the Petitioners could not at present be granted —

Mr. Davis was acquainted by Letter that the School now under his care is to be discontinued on Saturday next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 16. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Walley, Dorr, Tyler, Andrews, Hatch,

Mr. Davis delivered the Key of the North Latin School to the Selectmen last Saturday being the 11 Inst.

Mrs. Hannah Cole approbated as a Retailer at her Shop in North Street —

Colo. Hatch & Mr. Sever a Committee to order Gravel on a Way near Hog Alley —

[**201.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 23d. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Price, Sever, —

An advertisement relative to a new School House sent to Mr. Russell, for publishing —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 28. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever,

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered — that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p. Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	4	12
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	8	12
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - - - - -		4	2
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - - -		8	4
a 4d. Loaf of Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal - - do -	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Bread not above ½ Indian - - - do -	3	0	0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 30. 1789 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Sever, Boardman, Andrews,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The following Persons were approbated as Retailers and Inholders see August 7. & Septemr. 30 — Vizt. —

		Shops or Houses
Jonathan Bruce - - -	Retailer - - - -	
Edmund Wright - - - - -	do - - - -	
Hanah Harris - - - - - -	do - - - -	
Susannah Morgan - - - -	do - - - -	

John Hincks	d°	
Richard Bright	d°	
Isaac Nut	Inholder	
Alexander Mackay	Retailer	
Thomas Powell	d°	
Elizabeth Bosworth	d°	Newbury Street
Hannah Bass	d°	
Shubel Bell	d°	
John Bryant	Inholder	Dock Square
[202.] Nathaniel Hall Junr.	Retailer	Fore Street
Simon Bradshaw	d°	Hanover Street
Ezra Whitney	d°	Orange Street
Sarah Bulls	d°	Love Lane
Sarah Lord	d°	Middle Street
Sarah Page	d°	Ann Street
Peggy Dawes	d°	Fore Street
Mary Bardon	d°	
Ezra Whitney	d°	Orange Street
Ann Minginson	d°	Scarlets Wharff
Ann McClintick	d°	Dock Square
Agnes Lobdell	Inholder	Congress Street
Joseph Ridgway	Retailer	Cambridge Street
Alvan Fosdick	d°	
Thomas Oliver	d°	
Uriah Cottings	d°	
William Doggett	d°	
Hannah Osborne	d°	
Frances Boutan	d°	
Richard Shelton	d°	
Jonathan Merry	d°	Ann Streēt
Joseph Cowdin	d°	Orange Street

The Selectmen have agreed to allow M^r. Moor as Inspector of the Town Watch, thirty six shillings p Month —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 6. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Andrews, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Hatch

Joab Hunt Master of Engine N°. 2. having resigned, M^r. Gibbons Bouve, was chosen by the Company in his room who is approved of by the Selectmen.

George Ridgway Master of Engine N°. 6 — having resigned that trust, the Company made choice of M^r. Matthew Nazro in his room, who is approved of by the Selectmen

Benjamin Fussenden approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Orange Street

[203.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 13. 1790 Present Messrs. Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Andrews Sever Hatch

Capt. Enoch James of Engine N°. 10 — has on his application the Premiums granted by the Town for bringing their Engine to play first on the Fire which lately broke out at Wentworths

Wharff — Mr. Ross House Cross Street — & Mr. Phillis's Middle Street being £4 – 4 —

drawn for

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Tyler a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of Anderson Phillips, represented to be a Non Compus to the Judge of Probate for said County

Passed upon four Accounts of Capt. Samuel Partridge Keeper of the Alms house amounting as by Copies on file to £1627 – 10 – 6 — £1538 – 16 – 5½ £117 – 18 – 4 — & £119 – 16 – 8

The Selectmen approved of the following Persons for Licenses vizt.

Daniel Merry - - - - -	a Retailer - - -	Fore Street
Margaret Smith - - - -	do. - - -	Greens Lane
Benjamin Goddard - - -	do. - - -	Orange Street
Peter Olive - - - - -	do. - - -	Fore Street
Edward Wentworth - - -	Inholder - - -	Dock Square
Mary Wheaton - - - -	Retailer - - -	Kilby Street
Elizabeth Niccolson - - -	do. - - -	Fleet Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 20t. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Walley Andrews Boardman, Sever, Hatch

Passed upon Dr. Appletons State Accompt amounting to £4 – 5 – 3d. — a Copy is to be lodged by the Doctor

Passed upon Edward Mayfields State Acct. amounting to £2 – 8 — a Copy to be sent

Petition of Capt. Green and other Militia Officers read but the Selectmen could not see the propriety of their acting [**204.**] or appearing in this matter

The Petition of Oliver Wendell Esq. & others for a Town Meeting relative to paving Battery March to be inserted in next Warrant for a Meeting

Mr. John Mountgomery was some days since recommended to the General Court for the privilege of a free Citizen

to be recommend etc

The Petition of Thomas Ramsdean for a naturalization by the General Court — having been read — it was determined not to act thereon as they heard Congress were about taking the matter up upon a general scale

the above reconsidered March 3d.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 25. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Sever, Hatch, Price,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb	oz	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	1	4	12
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	1	8	12
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - - - - - -	—	4	2
Biskets of 2 Ditto do. - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4d. Loaf of Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. - - - - -	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Bread not above ½ Indian do. - - - - - -	3	0	0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 27. 1790 Present Messrs. Scollay, Boardman, Tyler, Andrews, Walley, Hatch,

M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Hatch a Comm^{ee} to view the Building occupied by M^{r}. Wheeler & to Report the necessary Repairs

Passed upon Accounts

Passed upon Curtis & Houghton, State Accompt am^{t}. to £8 – 15/.

Abigail Shepherd approved to retail Spirits, at her House Ship Street

[**205.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 2^{d}. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Boardman Tyler, Hatch, Sever

M^{r}. Scollay, M^{r}. Dorr, M^{r}. Price, M^{r}. Walley — a Committee to wait upon the Committee of the General Court — and also the Committee of Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 3^{d}. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Tyler, Walley Boardman Sever

Abigail Woodman approved of as Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at her Shop in back Street

John . . . Lewis approved of to Retail at his House in Ship Street

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warr^{t}. for a Town Meeting on Wednesday next. 10. OClock AM: — for choice of a Representative if Town see proper

That Benjn. Russell have the printing of the Notifications:

Selectmen meet next Tuesday to do business

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley,

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 16. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley Boardman, Hatch, Sever,

M^{r}. Walley appointed to get the Papers relative to the Neck Recorded

John Brown & John G. Bartemus admitted Engine Men in Engine N°. 6 — Capt. Nazro — in the room of David Jacobs & George Ridgway who have resigned

Passed upon Capt. Samuel Lahas State Account amounting as p Copy on file to £24 – 6 – 8

Zacheus Moulton approved as an Inholder for his House on Dock Square

[**206.**] Monday 4. OClock Assigned for taking up the Complaint against M^{r}. Moore an Officer of the Police

John Drisco Approved as an Inholder at his House in Royal Exchange Lane

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 22^{d}. [1790.] Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Tyler, Andrews, Sever, Hatch,

Passed upon Accounts

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat 7/ p Bushel, and that 12 pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	3	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	7	3
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	3	13
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}. - -	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal - - d^{o}. - -	3	0	0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 24. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Walley, Tyler, Hatch, Boardman, Andrews, Price, Scollay

Passed upon other Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 1. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Tyler Andrews Seaver, Hatch, Walley,

M^{r}. Dorr & Capt. Tyler a Committee to procure a place for the Engine N°. 1. now standing on M^{r}. Savages Land N^{o}. Square, where the present Engine House may be removed to —

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 8th. of March Ins^{t}. — 10. OClock A: M: for the choice of Town Officers &^{c}. for the Year ensuing

M^{r}. Dorr & Capt. Tyler — a Committee to wait upon D^{r}. Lothrop, and request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer. M^{r}. Freeman to have printing of Notifications

[207.] In consequence of a Petition from Henry Hill & others for graveling S^{o}. Street — Voted, that the Selectmen will allow twelve pounds towards the same, conditioned that the Abutters will expend nine pounds more for the same purpose to the satisfaction of Col^{o}. Hatch who is a Committee to carry this Vote into execution

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 3^{d}. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Tyler, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Hatch,

Capt. Bouve of Engine N°. 2. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at M^{r}. Thomass House Bennet Street — its doubted whether the House was on fire, no draft yet ordered

The Vote passed on the 20^{t}. of January last, relative to a Petition of Thomas Ramsdean for being recommended to the General Court, for a Naturalization — is reconsidered

M^{r}. Walley, M^{r}. Dorr & M^{r}. Andrews a Committee to settle with Col^{o}. Vose for his supplies of Deer Island Years ago

Voted that M^{r}. Jepsons Rent of Shop be £6 — and M^{r}. Adlingtons — £4 — p Annum sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Andrews, Sever Boardman Tyler Walley

A conference had with the Overseers & M^{r}. Mason & Eustis two of our Representatives, with respect of a further application to the General Court, relative to the support of the State Poor, when it was the sense of the Gentlemen to refer this business to the next Session of the General Court

An Order dated the 6 of this Month, on the Town Treasurer, for £60 — given Deacon Richard Gridley in consideration of a Deed of a piece of Land in Nassau Street purchased of said Gridley for the School Committee for the purpose of Erecting a School thereon for Reading for the convenience of the S^{o}. part of the Town,

[**208.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 10. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Hatch, Edwards Boardman, Walley, Sever, Crafts,

On the late Vote of the Town relative to a new Watch being established in State Street — Voted, that it is the Opinion of the Selectmen that a new Watch be appointed accordingly

M^{r}. Nathaniel Henchman appointed a Constable for said Watch

Moved & after consideration thereon Voted that the Office of the Superintendant of the Watch be suspended for the present also

Voted, that M^{r}. Moor an Officer of the Police be dismissed from that Office — and that this Day fortnight be assigned for the choice of one in his room

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 17. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Hatch,

Schooner Esther, Nathaniel Hickman Master, from Surrinam, & owned by M^{r}. Ebenezer Dorr — said Master appeared and informs three Men have had the Small Pox at Surrinam two months since by Inoculation — they got well — the Vessel Clothes &^{c}. have been thoroughly aired & smoked, and all were well on board, and there is not the least danger as he apprehends — the Cargo consists of Molases & Cocoa

D^{r}. Welsh was requested by the Selectmen to make enquirey & examination, relative to the State of the Men Clothing &^{c}. and to Report his Opinion

The following Persons have been appointed as a Watch for State Street — Viz^{t}.

M^{r}. Nathaniel Henchman - - Constable
Isaac Wendell
William Eaton
William Hendley
John Stringer

[**209.**] M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to give orders for the repairs of the Town House Watch House —, for the reception of the Watch

Col°. Hatch and Mr. Sever, a Committee to direct such Repairs for the Buildings rented by Mr. Wheeler as they shall Judge proper

Joseph Snelling approbated as a Retailer for his Shop in Fish Street

Rachel Bradford approved as a Retailer for her Shop at Back Street

John Woart approved as an Inholder for his House near Dock Square

Voted, that the Constables of each Watch lodge their Orders with the Town Clerk, and that he lay the same before the Selectmen next Wednesday

informed Mr. Nazro

Dr. Welsh having examined the Schooner Esther relative to the Small Pox, Reports that all the People are well and appear free from Infection — & that all things on board have been so well cleansed & aired — that in his Opinion said Vessel may come up to Town without any danger to the Inhabitants — whereupon

Voted, that said Vessel be permitted to come up, and unload, as soon as the Owners thought proper

Mr. Nazro was directed to call upon the several Captains of Engine Men to return lists of the Men belonging to their several Engines, next Wednesday

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 24. 1790 Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Scollay, Walley, Crafts,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 5t. Day of April next being the Day assigned by the Constitution for the choice of Governor & — Mr. Walley and Col°. Crafts a Commee. to wait on the Revd. Mr. Belknap — and to request his opening the Meeting with Prayer

[**210.**] Mr. Holt the Printer to have the printing of the Notification for the ensuing Town Meeting

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 29t. [1700.] Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts Edwards

Passed upon Accounts

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p Bushel, and that twelve pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	0	15	8
a 4d. loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	3	8
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	3	4
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	6	8
a 4d. loaf of Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal — d°. - -	2	8	0
a 4d. loaf of Bread not above ½ Indian Meal — d°.	3	0	0

Mr. Bayley Collector having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers for the Sums committed to him to Collect for the Year 1788 — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver up his Bonds for said Year — & they were accordingly delivered

Col°. Crafts appointed to examine M^r^. Nazros Acco^t^.

M^r^. Price & Col°. Crafts a Committee to order such Repairs to Master Hunts House as they shall Judge necessary

M^r^. Collector Henderson having produced Certificates from the several Treasurers for the Sums committed to them to Collect for the Year 1788 — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver up his Bonds for said Year, and they were delivered accordingly

M^r^. Shubael Hewes appointed to inform & prosecute any Person firing guns within the bounds of this Town,

sent p Nazro

M^r^. Edwards appointed to confer with M^r^. Martin Brimmer, relative to the Dung round the Market Square so called

[**211.**] M^r^. Price & M^r^. Boardman a Committee to procure Blinds, for Master Carters School

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 31. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Edwards, Boardman, Price, Crafts, Scollay, Walley Sever

Passed upon other Accounts

M^r^. Scollay & Col°. Crafts, on the application of M^r^. Honnywell for building three Tombs at the Chapel Buryal Ground, are appointed a Committee to view the Ground and permit, or not permit as they shall Judge best

see April 21^t^.

This Day being assigned for the appointment of an Officer of the Police — it was determined by the Selectmen that the choice of another officer subside for the present

The Selectmen have proceeded to the choice and appointment of Engine Men, a List of the several Companys are on file — see April 21.

The Draught for the Month of March examined p the Selectmen, and the Clerk directed to give it in to the Town Treasurer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 7. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Seaver, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Price, Walley,

M^r^. Sever & M^r^. Edwards a Committee to view Blyes Lane on information that an encroachment has been made thereon by M^r^. Vincent — which Committee are to make Report to the Selectmen

Davis Whitman a Licensed Person having removed from Wings Lane to Hanover Street, is approved of by the Selectmen as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Hanover Street

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the 5^t^. of April Instant

Voted, on the Petition of Nathan Davis for liberty to open a private School for teaching Grammar &^c^. &^c^., That the Prayer of the Petition be granted, and that he have a Certificate accordingly,

sent

[**212.**] M^r^. Jesse Houghton appointed to the care of the Burying Ground in the Common

Orders, delivered the five Constables of the Town Watch, as p a Copy on file, together with a description of their respective Rounds

Mr. Ludden Sexton of the old Brick Meeting appointed to the care of the Chapel burying Ground

The Selectmen conformable to a By Law of the Town have Ordered, that the Owner of every Cow going at large on the Common — shall pay to the Persons appointed to Collect the Moneys. four Shillings for each Cow — for such Cows as are kept in Pasture. — two Shillings for each Cow so kept —

Voted, that Mr. Charles Coffin is appointed for the purpose aforesd

Mr. Martin Brimmer having proposed to have the privilege of Collecting the Dirt near the Market, as the Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market is enjoined by a late Vote of the Town to do, without any expence to the Town for removing said Dirt. — that he may Judge whether he shall be able to pay a consideration therefor in future — He is agreeable to his said proposal to have the Collection of said dirt for one month

Mr. Nazro is directed to call upon the several Persons who hire Stalls in Market Square, and demand of them the Sums due to the Town, and return the answers each of them make to the Selectmen on Wednesday next

gave Mr. Nazro a Copy

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 7. 1790 Present Mess: Dorr, Edwards, Boardman, Price, Seaver,

The Selectmen direct that an extract from the Law relative to Cows going at large be published — also an Advertisement relative to Mr. Coffins being appointed to Collect the sums assessed for the support of the Bulls

On the request of Dr. Bulfinch that the Engine House at New Boston might be removed — Mr. Scollay Price & Edwards are appointed a Committee to direct the removal of said Engine House if they Judge proper, or otherwise to build another

[213.] The Selectmen have assigned next Wednesday for considering as to the pavement of Dock Square, & what repairs may be necessary for the Street near, Consert Hall & other Streets in the Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 21. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards

Dudley Coleman approved of as an Inholder at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in State Street

James Williams Junr. approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Store on Dock Square

Capt. James of Hancock Engine having presented a List of his Company, the same were approved of & appointed as Engine Men for the Year ensuing — see March 31

The Key of the Building improved by Master Cheney as a School House was this Day sent to Mr. Isaac Winslow one of the Proprietors of said Building; another School having been provided for said Master by the School Committee

Colo. Perkins Lt. Treat apply to be appointed Inspectors of Nails, agreeable to a late Law

Col°. Hatch and M^r^. Sever appointed to settle the Account of the late Keeper of the Granary

The Fishermens Petition having been read, it was determined, that the consideration of said Petition subside

M^rs^. Jones informed that a House of hers occupied by M^r^. Newall & situated in State Street, has been complained of as dangerous to the Limbs & Lives of the Inhabitants and that it is hoped immediate care will be taken to prevent such dangers

The Committee on M^r^. Hunnewells Petition for liberty to erect three Tombs at the Chapel Burial Ground — Report, that liberty be accordingly granted, — and said Report is accepted by the Selectmen — see March 31 — given

M^r^. Price & Col°. Crafts a Committee, to repair the Pavement near the State House & Consert Hall

[**214.**] Messrs: Dorr & Edwards a Committee to treat with M^r^. Torrey relative to a compensation to be made him for widening part of Fish Street at the Head of said Torreys Whaff — Have Agreed to allow him. Five Pounds in case he gives about four Feet of his Land to the Town — The Building he is about Erecting to be on a Line with M^r^. John Brights Shop

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 23^d^. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Seaver, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards

M^r^. Thomas Clemans appointed to have the care of the Town Pump in Milk Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 26. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Seaver, Crafts, Edwards

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t^.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	15	8
a 4^d^. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	3	8
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	3	4
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	6	8
a 4^d^. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d°.	2	8	0
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian Meal d°.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 28^t^. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Edwards, Scollay, Boardman, Hatch,

Passed upon other Accounts

M^r^. Houghton directed to Report to the Selectmen next Wednesday, a State of Tombs & Ground in the Common Buryal Place

M^r^. Dorr & M^r^. Edwards a Committee to view & agree with M^r^. Richardson, relative to the placing his House in Fish Street

[**215.**] M^r^. James Barry being well recommended is Appointed

an Inspector of Pork Beef, & Fish &c. in the Town of Boston & an Oath of Office Administered by

sent

Russell & Clap apply to the Selectmen for being appointed as an Auchtioneer, for the present Year

On the application of Mr. Treasurer Hodgsdon Mr. Hunnewell is permitted to build a Tomb on the Spot prayed for

Mr. Hunnewell having applied for his Father, has liberty to build a Tomb at the Chapel Burying Ground

Mr. John Symmes applys to the Selectmen for being appointed an Auchtioneer. & produced a Receipt from the State Treasurer of the Dutys paid to this Day

Deacon Boardman & Colo. Crafts & Mr. Edwards a Committee to make enquiry relative to the Expence of paving Market Square & Fish Market Street & Report as soon as may be

Colo. Perkins chosen an Inspector of Nails for the Town of Boston — by ballot

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of Representatives on Tuesday the 11 Day of May next 10. OClock. A: M:

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Edwards a Committee to wait on the Revd. Dr. Howard — to request his openg the Town Meeting with Prayer

Mr. Bumstead — to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting

Agreed to meet Fryday next 11. O.Clock A: M for the appointment of Auchtioneers for the present Year — and for compleating the Warrant for May Meeting

The Draught for this month examined by the Selectmen

[**216.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards,

Colo. Procter having produced the State Treasurers Receipt for the one pct. duty to the 29t. April 1790 — as Auchtioneer applys for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the present Year

Mr. Thomas Kilby Jones applies, for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the present Year

Mr. William Jones applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the present Year

Joshua Eaton applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the present Year

Lewis Hoyt applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer — for the present Year

Next Wednesday assigned for taking up any further applications for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers

The Committee appointed on the 28t. Inst. relative to Mr. Richardsons House, have agreed that in case he grants four feet of Land to the Town — he is to be paid three pounds for the same

The following Gentlemen on their application for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers — Vizt.

Colo. Edward Procter
Russell & Clap

John Symms
Thomas K. Jones
William Jones
Joshua Eaton

Lewis Hoyt — all Inhabitants of this Town — were accordingly approbated, and furnished with Certificates of the same signed by the Selectmen see May 5

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 5 — 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Edwards, Price, Crafts, Hatch,

Met according to Adjournment

[**217.**] Jacob Adams Auchtioneer applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer the present Year see April 30^{t}.

Robert Mollineux Auchtioneer applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the present Year see April 30^{t}.

The Persons aforenamed Inhabitants of this Town were accordingly approbated as Auchtioneers, & furnished with Certificates of the same signed by the Selectmen, by the Town Clerk see April 30

The Petition of Henry Wright for being approved of as an Auchtioneer, — read and considered by the Selectmen — & the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Negative

Col^{o}. Crafts & Deacon Boardman a Committee to view such Tombs in the Common Burial Ground, as are in a ruinous situation, and for which Tombs, no Owners appear — and to Report to the Board what they Judge best to be done thereon

M^{r}. Noah Faxon having resigned his Stall in Faneuil Hall Market, N^{o}. on the North side of the Market — Caleb Wheaton is to have the use of the same his Rent therefor to commence the 5^{t}. March 1790 see on the file

It is agreed to propose a conference with the Overseers of the Poor relative to Paupers & other Poor — and a Billet was sent them by Nazro on the subject

M^{r}. Edwards appointed to deliver an Oration on the 4^{t}. of July next

The Committee relative to paving Market Square are requested to Report as soon as may be

M^{r}. Dorr a Committee to acquaint M^{r}. Edwards of his appointment as ye Orator for the 4^{t}. of July next & to receive his answer

[**218.**] The Overseers inform the Selectmen that they will attend the Board by a Committee Wednesday next in order to have a conference relative to the Poor

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 12 — 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards

M^{r}. Ephraim Brown is to pay four Pounds p Annum for the

Shop he occupies near Consert Hall Rent to commence the 11t. Inst. sent

The following is Copy of a Warrant in favor of the Town

Commonwealth } By his Excellency the Governor
Massachusetts }

You are by and with the advice & consent of Council ordered and directed to pay unto the Selectmen of the Town of Boston One hundred & ninety two pounds two Shillings and 5d. in full for the supporting sundry State Poor not in the Almshouse, and all other services done for the Commonwealth, excepting their Visitations to Rainsfords Island to the 14 of Jany. 1789 also £450 for the use of the Granary & Labratory while in the improvement of this Commonwealth both which Sums amount to the Sum of £642 – 2 – 5, the sum of £450 — is to be charged to the United States — agreeable to a Resolve of the 9t. Inst.

for which this shall be your sufficient Warrant

Given under my hand at Boston the 10t. Day of March 1790 in the 14 Year of American Independence

JOHN HANCOCK

£642 – 2 – 5 —

By Order of the Governor withe the advice & consent of Council

JOHN AVERY Secretary

To Alexander Hodgdon Esq. Treasurer

A Committee from the Board of Overseers attended, and a conference was had as proposed relative to Paupers — when it was conceded by the Commee. that the Overseers have the care of all Paupers belonging to any [**219.**] Town in the State who come into this Town & are not Inhabitants thereof

Joshua Loring approved as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Store at the head of Long Wharff

The Commee. to wait on Mr. Edwards Report that he declines delivering an Oration the 4t. of July next, for which he was appointed

Mr. Joseph Hall Junr. appointed an Orator for their 4t. of July next — & Mr. Edwards appointed to acquaint him with the same & take his answer

Mr. Sever & Colo. Hatch a Committee to let out Bull Pasture & Fosters Pasture for the present Year

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 15 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Crafts, Edwards Boardman,

An Advertisement agreed upon by the Selectmen relative to the Erecting a new School House in the Centre of the Town — is to be published three Weeks successively in Mess: Edes & Russells Papers

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 19. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Edwards, Scollay, Crafts,

Capt. Wells applies for liberty to put down Posts against his

Shop — Liberty was granted, conditioned, that the Ground & Pavement be made good to the approbation of the Selectmen

Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Belknap appointed to deliver an Oration on the 4^{t} of July next, agreeable to a Vote of the Town

Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to acquaint him with the choice and to receive & Report his answer

An Advertisement relative to leasing the Hay Market to be published in Adams & M^{r}. Russells Papers.

[**220.**] M^{r}. Edwards M^{r}. Dorr & Col^{o}. Crafts a Comm^{ee}. to make out the several Accounts of Charges incurred by Paupers coming from other Towns — and Report which of the Towns should be sued for immediate payment

M^{r}. Boardman, Sever & Edwards a Committee to examine into the Circumstances of Rebecca Carr, represented as incapable of taking care of herself & Interests agreeable to a Warr^{t}. from the Judge of Probates for the County of Suffolk

Col^{o}. Hatch & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to attend the Repairs of the Neck, beyond the 1400 feet granted by the Town

On Motion Voted, that M^{r}. Price, Edwards & Col^{o}. Crafts be a Committee to take D^{r}. Franklins Will into consideration, and Report to the Board, what they apprehend, will be proper to be done by the Town on the occasion

The Town at their late Meeting having desired the Selectmen to call a Meeting as speedily as may be for the purpose of taking D^{r}. Franklins Will into consideration,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warr^{t}. for a Town Meeting on Tuesday next. 3. OClock P: M:

M^{r}. Powers to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting

The following Certificate was this Day given on the recommendation of a number of the respectable Inhabitants of the South part of the Town Viz^{t}.

This Certifies that from recommendations received of Misses Betsy & Ammy Raymer the Selectmen are of Opinion that they are Persons of a sober life & conversation and well qualified to keep School for teaching reading & sewing

J. S. J. Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 24 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr Price Sever Hatch Crafts Edwards

Edward Gray Esq. was unanimously chosen Orator for the 4^{t}. say 5 of July next.

[**221.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 31^{t}. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Edwards Hatch, Crafts, Price, Walley,

The Committee appointed for the purpose Reported, that M^{r}. Gray had accepted the appointment of Orator for the 4^{t}. of July next say July 5^{t}. — the 4^{t}. being Lords Day

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - - - -	—	15	8
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - - - -	1	3	8
Biskets of a Copper price, must weigh - - - - - - -	—	3	4
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weigh - - - - - - -	—	6	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d°. —	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian Meal d°.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

Capt. Sarson Belcher having applied for liberty to erect a Building on apeice of the Towns Land near Olivers Dock — Mr. Scollay and Mr. Edwards - - - appointed a Committee to view the Premises & make Report

The Committee relative to Market Square are directed to get three Bays on Market Square paved — on the best terms they can

Mr. Hopestill Foster having offered the highest Sum for the hire of the Hay Engine this Year — is accordingly appointed Hay weigher at the Rent he has offered being £160 – 12/ — he offered for his Bondsmen, the same which became bound with him the last Year, — the Selectmen have approved of them & directed the Town Clerk to make out Bonds of the tenor of the last Year

The Town Clerk is directed to deliver all Bonds & Securities to the Town Treasurer — he giving the Town Clerk a Receipt for the same

The Selectmen have agreed to request the Overseers of the Poor to meet them at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday 1. OClock sent

[222.] The plan of a Building for a School House presented by Col°. Dawes, approved of and accepted by the Selectmen

The Town Clerk to Advertise that said Plan may be viewed by any one inclining to undertake for erecting said Building, at the Office of Ezekiel Price Esq, where it is lodged for said purpose

Col°. Crafts, Col°. Hatch & Mr. Walley a Committee to see to the removal of the Building now improved by Mr. Hunt & the erecting another agreeable to a Vote of the Town — they taking the advice of Col°. Dawes as it may be needed sent

Voted, that Col°. Dawes be requested to give his advice and assistance to the Sub. Committee for erecting a new School on the Land where Mr. Hunt now lives sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 28 [1790.] Present Mess: Scollay Crafts Price, Boardman

Capt. Laha acquainted the Selectmen that the Schooner Edes Capt. Halloway Master is arrived at Rainsfords Island from —— ——— having a Man on Board sick of the Small Pox — a Letter was sent Capt. Laha directing him to take the sick Man on shore with every Article liable to retain infection, & that he proceed in smoking & cleansing the Vessel, & every thing belonging to her, not suffering any one not belonging to the Vessel to go or come from the Vessel — and when he thought she was so well smoked & cleansed as that she might come up with safety to the Inhabitants to permit her — see Copy of Orders on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 2d. 1790 A: M Present Mess: Scollay, Hatch, Dorr, Price, Bowman?

The Overseers agreeable to the request of the Selectmen attended, relative to the Business assigned them by the Town respecting the Poor

[**223.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 2d. 1790 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Dorr, Price,

Passed upon other Accounts

Mr. Joseph Bond, had liberty to take up a few Sods, on the Towns Land near his House

The Account of Samuel Curtis & Jessee Houghton for burying Strangers on the State Account, amounting as by a Copy to be placed on the files to £19 – 4 – 8d

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Dorr a Committee to direct with respect to paving part of Brattle Street

The Selectmen passed on the Account of Samuel Gooking being for the care of William Thurston a poor sick Stranger amounting as p a Copy to be placed on the files amounting to £9 – 15

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 3d. 1790. A: M Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Hatch, Walley, Boardman,

Passed upon other Accounts

Mr. Clark in the Name of the Artillery Company, pray'd Liberty for the use of the Hall from Saturday Morning to Tuesday Noon — and liberty was accordingly granted

This Months draft examined by Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 4. 1790. P.M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Edwards Walley Sever, Hatch

Met the Overseers and agreed upon a Memorial to the General Court relative to the Poor of the Commonwealth, which was signed by the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor, and handed to Mr. Mason one of our Representatives to be laid before the Court when they shall Judge it to be the best time for its being taken up

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 9t. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Edwards, Hatch, Sever, Dorr, Crafts, Walley, Boardman, Price

Dr. Stillman having informed one of the Selectmen that his Son George from abroad, was suspected of having the Small Pox & that he would with liberty, send him to the Hospital at New Boston to be provided for at his own expence — and he [**224.**] was accordingly sent there

Dr. Stillman apply'd for liberty for Mrs. Stillman visiting her Son at the Hospital, if occasion should require it — the Motion was withdrawn

Smith Coleman applys for approbation for a License to retail Spirituous Liquors at his House in Cambridge Street which House was licensed the last Year under the improvement of Hugh Cargill, who is removed and the said Coleman was accordingly approved

Mr. Dorr added to the Committee for repairs of Faneuil Hall Market

On the application of Mr. John Bartlet for building a Tomb in the So. Burial Ground — Liberty was granted provided it be done under the direction of Mr. Sever

The Board have agreed to view the Nusance near Hog Alley, to Morrow Afternoon 4 O'Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 16. 1790 Present Messrs: Seaver, Boardman, Dorr, Edwards, Scollay, Price, Walley, Hatch, Crafts

On the application of Mr. Christian Gullager, that he may place the Bust of President Washington in Faneuil Hall in such a situation as shall be Judged best by the Selectmen — Liberty is accordingly granted — & there to remain

Mr. Dorr a Committee to enquire relative to a Tomb at the North End, that as its said has not an Owner Mr. Marston having applied for one which he says has no Owner

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Hatch a Committee, for the application of Christopher Gore &c. — that a new Watch House may be erected at New Boston at their own charge — said Committee to confer and Report

Mr. Scollay, Price, & Hatch a Committee to wait on the Governor, & inform him that the Selectmen have engaged Edward Gray Esq. to deliver an Oration on the 4t. say 5t. Day of July, and that they have liberty to improve the Stone Chapel Church, for said purpose — said Commee. [**225.**] to wait on Dr. Bulfinch for liberty to improve the same for said purpose (Vote reconsidered)

Agreed on a Visit to DEER Island, Wednesday next. & to meet on Fryday next at 4. OClock to arange matters — Jurors chosen for the Court Common Pleas & entred

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1790 — Present Messrs: Price, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Dorr,

Capt. Manesseh Marston [Marsters?] on his application, is to have the Tomb pray'd for in the No. Burying Ground, not occupied, conditioned, that if any Owner hereafter appears, he will redeliver the same, on his charges to that time for repairs &c. being paid him — the Town not to be at any expence

Mr. Scollay in the room of Mr. Andrews, a Committee to let the old Engine House on Dock Square

On the application of Capt. Samuel Coles whereby he has liberty to exercise his Company in Faneuil Hall

Capt. Laughton, has the like liberty for his Company

Mr. Thomas Lewis has liberty to open a drain from his House in Fish Street — he making good the Ground and restoring the Pavement to the approbation of the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24. 1790 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Sever, Boardman, Crafts

A Letter received from the Secretary relative to the intentions of the Honble. Board on the 4t. July next

The Selectmen adjourned the consideration of the Councils to Monday next being Draught Day

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 28t. — 1790 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Edwards, Price,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p bushel & that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

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a 4d. loaf of brown Bread ¾ wheat ¼ Rye Meal must weigh - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2	8	0
a 4d. loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian must weigh - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3	0	0

[226.] Capt. Robinson of Engine No. 2 applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bring'g their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Burk the Coopers House allowed & drawn for Augt. draft

Passed upon Accounts

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Price & Colo. Hatch a Commee. to take such measures as they shall think proper for removal of the Nusance near the Hay Market agreable to a late Vote of the Town, & the Opinion of the whole Board at a late view of the same

Mr. Scollay Colo. Crafts & Mr. Dorr, a Committee to wait on the Commee. of the Old South & ask liberty of making use of their Meeting house on the 4t. of July next — which Committee have been appointed to wait on the Governor and acquaint him, that the Oration in commemoration of Independence is to be delivered at the Old South Meeting House at such time as the Town on that Morning shall appoint

Francis Moor is allowed in full of services as Inspector of the Watch and of the Police — £3

Mr. Nathaniel Heath is to have a draught in this Months Draught for Seven Pounds, in part for Materials & repairing the Roof & Cupola of Faneuil Hall

Last Wednesday the Selectmen accompanied by a number of Gentlemen Visited Deer Island, had an agreeable time and the pleasure of finding the Island in a good state

[227.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June, [30] 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Hatch, Edwards

Passed upon other Accounts —

The School Commee. haveg. Agreed to attend the Visitation of the Schools on Wednesday the 7t. of July next, the several Masters are informed thereof — (reconsidered)

Mr. William Dawes has liberty to open a drain near his House in Ann Street — he making good the Ground & Pavement

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 5 of July next 9. o'Clock A: M: in commemoration of the Day on which Independence was declared being on the 4t. of July Anno Domini 1776 — Memo. Notifications not to be printed

Capt. Laha having reported that James Smith of Gloucester, Wait Gillman of Connecticut Fife a Negro and Jessee Harding who have had the Small Pox at Rainsfords Island, have been so well smoked & cleansed as that they may leave the Island with safety — He was directed to keep them two Days longer for airing, and then to permit them to leave Island, he being first satisfied for the charge they have occasioned

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay Dorr Price, Walley, Hatch, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards

Agreed with the School Committee to have a Visitation of the public Schools on Fryday the 9t. Inst. Mr. Vily was engaged to prepare a Dinner, at Faneuil Hall on said Day by 2. oClock — and the Town Clerk to send Billets to the Gentlemen to be invited agreeable to the List given him by the Selectmen

Mr. Vily is to be

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W. H. W.]

[228.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 7. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts Edwards:

Messrs: Crafts Dorr & Scollay a Committee to wait on the Governor & request him to give Orders for erecting a Pole &c. on Beacon Hill — and should he refuse by not having it in his power, the said Committee are directed to have one set up as formerly as soon as may be and on the best terms they can — (reconsidered)

Mr. Walley Mr. Hatch & Mr. Crafts, appointed a Committee to wait on the Town Treasurer and confer with him respecting a sum of Money he is soon to receive and to see the Resolve of Court &c. — relative thereto

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Boardman, appointed a Commee. on the application of Charles Miller & others, for removing the Fish Market from where it now stands, to the South East side of the Draw Bridge, — which Committee are to consider relative to said application, and to make Report as soon as may be

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Boardman a Committee for letting the old Engine House in Market Square — Report that they have let the same to Mr. Amos Winship Butcher at the rate of three Pounds lawful Money p Year — Rent to commence the 1st. of July Inst.

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 9 [1790] Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr Price Walley Boardman Hatch Sever Crafts Edwards

Mr. Price & Mr. Walley appointed a Committee, for getting the Oration delivered by Edward Gray Esq. on 4t. say 5. of July Inst., printed, agreeable to a Vote of the Town on said Day

On this Day the Selectmen in School Committee accompanied by the L^{t}. Governor, the Council ———— number of Gentlemen Visited the Public Schools ———————————————— ———————————— the order & ————————————————————————————————

[Original missing at the points shown by the lines. W. H. W.]

[**229.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July [14] 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Price, Crafts, Sever, Hatch, Boardman,

On the late Visitation it appeared that

M^{r}. Hunts School had - - - -	63 Boys - - -	
Carter & Binghams, d^{o}. had - -	220 Boys - - -	180 Girls
M^{r}. Vinal & Ticknor d^{o}. had - -	229 Boys - - -	185 Girls
Tileston & Cheneys — d^{o}. had -	250 Boys - - -	174 Girls
	762 Boys	539 Girls

In all 1301 Scholars under 14 Years of Age

see on other side

The Comm^{ee}. appointed on 7^{t}. of July Ins^{t}. relative to erecting a Pole on Beacon Hill, are discharged from the Duty assigned them by said Vote

On the application of M^{r}. Crafts for a Stall in the Market Square which has been occupied by M^{r}. Talbot; and a full hearing had thereon; it was the sense of the Board that M^{r}. Crafts had no claim for said Stall which should opperate for the removal of said Talbot

Moved, that a Committee be appointed to consider what is further necessary to be done for the regulating the Stalls in Market Square & to enforce the Clerk to the discharge of his duty

M^{r}. Crafts, a Committee for the above purpose

M^{r}. Boardman & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to view the Pavement in Cold Lane, and give such orders for repairs as they may Judge necessary

The Selectmen have assigned Fryday P: M: after Commencement for consideration of what relates to D^{r}. Franklyns Donation &^{c}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 22^{d} [1790.] Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Walley, Sever Boardman Crafts

[**230.**] Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 26^{t}. Day of July Ins^{t}. 9. OClock A: M:

M^{r}. Powers to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting

M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to confer with M^{r}. Dexter, relative to a demand lately made on the Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 23^{d}. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Hatch, Crafts, Edwards,

Jonathan Stodder applies for a share in the paving work necessary to be done

Maj^{r}. Tilden applys for the paving part of the head of Battery March, he defraying a part of the charge

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 24. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Sever, Hatch, Price, Edwards, Crafts,

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Crafts a Committee to prepare a draught of a Letter to the Executors of D^{r}. Franklyn in answer to their Letter & to Report the same to the Board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley Hatch, Crafts Edwards

M^{r}. Scollay Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and acquaint him that they approve with gratitude his proposal of erecting a Beacon on Beacon Hill, which must be as agreeable as it will be serviceable to the Public (Error see August 4^{t}.)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay Dorr, Walley Sever, Boardman,

Passed upon Accounts

[**231.**] Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p Bushel and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	15	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	3	0
Biskets of a Copper price must weigh - - . - -	—	3	4
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	6	8
a 4.^{d} Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}.	3	0	0

The Committee on the Petition for removing the Fish Stalls, Report as their Opinion that the Prayer of the Petition cannot be granted — and the Report accepted

M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to view Battery March & make such small Repairs as they may Judge proper & necessary

Passed upon Elizabeth Richardson State Account for care of the State Hospital at New Boston from the 27^{t}. April 1789 to 27^{t}. April 1790. 1 Year £13 6 8 also five Cords of Wood — @ 12/
3 0 0

the amount £16 6 8

Mem^{o}. she was ordered to apply to the Court for payment but not having received anything she had an Order on the Town Treasurer for said Sum March 2. 1791

Passed upon Prince Pattersons State Account for 18 Weeks lodging & Nursing of James Moorwood at 5/ – £4. 10

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 29. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr Scollay, Walley, Edwards Boardman,

M^{r}. Joseph Russell the new elected Town Treasurer having proposed. William Tuder Esq. Moses Hays. M^{r}. Clap & M^{r}. White as his Bondsmen they were accepted by the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 4. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Scollay, Price Walley, Boardman, Hatch, Sever, Edwards, Crafts

M^{r}. Scollay, Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Edwards be a Comm^{ee}. [**232.**] to wait on the Governor & acquaint him, that being enformed by Judge Sullivan that his Excellency wishes to have liberty to erect a Beacon on the Towns part of Beacon Hill at his own expence — the Selectmen in behalf of the Town accept his generous proposal

The Committee accordingly waited on his Excellency and acquainted him with the same

Voted, that the Collectors of Taxes, be requested to attend at the Selectmens Chamber on Wednesday next to answer to such questions as may then be put to them relative to said Collections

sent p Nazro

Passed upon the List of Licensed Persons for the last Year as by a Copy thereof on file

Col^{o}. Hatch & M^{r}. Sever a Committee to make Repairs on the Town Buildings, let to Frothingham Jacobs & Wheeler at bottom of Common, to the amount of twenty pounds — they advancing the Money for said Repairs

The Clerk of the Market is directed not to suffer any Stalls to be Erected or to let out any Places for selling Roots without the approbation of the Selectmen

gave an attested Copy

Thomas Smith appointed a Chimney Sweeper in this Town, and had a Badge N°. 14. delivered him

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 11^{t}. Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Hatch, Edwards

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee to view the Pavement near M^{r}. Grants at New Boston, & give such Orders as they may Judge proper

The Town Clerk is directed to deliver M^{r}. Thompson Collector his Bonds given as Collector of Taxes for the Year 1788 — he having shewn Receipts in full from the several Treasurers for [**233.**] the Sums committed to him to Collect for said Year

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 13^{t}. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Sever, Boardman, Scollay, Hatch, Price, Crafts, Edwards, Walley,

The Selectmen having on an offer of his Excellency the Governor to erect a Beacon on Beacon Hill at his own expence, accepted the same — Now being informed that it is in contemplation of a number of the Inhabitants to erect an Obelisk there at their own expence & the Governor having been acquainted thereof has in

consequence signified to the Chairman that if consistent, and agreeable to them, he will retract his offer, to give way to the proposed erection of an Obelisk

The Selectmen therefore are of Opinion that his Excellency on those grounds may consistently retract his offer; and do consent that such Inhabitants have leave to erect an Obelisk accordingly

Mem°. The Selectmen will attend to the laying out the ground whenever the workmen &c. are ready.

Mem°. Copy of the above given Mr. Russell

Agreed to Visit Rainsfords Island Fryday next to meet at Faneuil Hall 8. OClock Morning — being 20t. of Aug. Inst.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 16. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Walley, Price, Edwards

Settled & made out the List of Company & a Bill of fare, for Rainsfords Island

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Augt. 18. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay Dorr Price Hatch Edwards, Crafts

Four Retailers & one Inholder approved of, as by a List taken this Day

Mr. Walley & Hatch a Committee to confer with Mr. French respecting his complaint of a Nuisance near his Land

Charles Dowall on a recommendation of several Gentlemen approved as a Chimney Sweeper, & a Badge N°. 15. was delivered

[**234.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 25t. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Hatch, Edwards, Walley,

The following regulations relative to Market Square were passed at a late Meeting — Vizt.

For the better regulating Market Square and ascertaining the Income thereof

It is *Ordered*, that all the Stalls now Erected or that may hereafter be Erected, and all Stands that are improved or may hereafter be improved for the selling of either Meats or Roots, shall be numbered

That no Stand or Stall shall be hereafter Erected or let out without consent of the Selectmen or such Committee as they shall appoint for this purpose

That on or before the first Day of September next every Person hiring any Stalls or Stands shall sign the following Agreement — Vizt.

I —— In consideration of being permitted by the Selectmen of the Town of Boston to improve and occupy a Stand or Stall in Faneuil Hall Market Square N°. in Boston, so long as both Parties shall Agree, do Promise to pay to Matthew Nazro, or to such Person as may hereafter be appointed in his stead, as Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market Shillings, each and every Month, from the Day of the Date hereof, untill such Time as I

shall relinquish the same expresly to said Nazro, or such other Person in his Stead as aforesaid

Witness my Hand this Day of 179

And if any one shall neglect or refuse so to do, he or they shall forfeit his or her claim to said Stall or Stand, & the Committee are impowered to let the same to any Person applying therefor

[**235.**] That no Horses shall be suffered to stand in the Rear of the Meat Stalls, or in the Inclosures behind them, but as many Carts may be put behind said Stalls as may be accommodated, and all other Carts shall be put in a range by the old Engine House &c. in a range with the South side of Faneuil Hall, the Bodies to be run over the Shaffs of each Cart so as to take as little room as possible

That a new entrance be made through the Rails into the West end of Faneuil Hall Market — the Bakers to arrange their Wheelbarrows along from the Beef Stall at the Corner, to said Entrance

That the shifting Stalls or Stools in the Square at the West End of Faneuil Hall be fixed in a proper range, and not to be removeable as at present

Mem°. some better Arangements might be made respecting Fish and Shoemakers Stalls or Stands

Mr. Scollay, Col°. Crafts and Mr. Edwards are appointed a Committee to carry the aforegoing regulations &c. into execution

The Committee relative to the Finances of the Town, appeared at the Selectmens Chamber & after some discourse relative to the Market, they requested to be made acquainted with the probable Income of the Market & the other Estates of the Town and of any other matters the Selectmen apprehend will afford any light to the Committee in the business assigned them by the Town — other minutes given Mr. Scollay by the Committee

Boston August 25. 1790 Mr. Treasurer Hodgsden

Please to pay to Joseph Russell

[**236.**] Treasurer of the Town of Boston the Sum of three thousand seven hundred & sixty four Pounds 15/ 5d. being the Sum of Money you were empowered & directed to borrow & pay to the Selectmen of the Town of Boston in part payment according to a Resolve of the General Court passed June 24. 1790

p Order JOHN SCOLLAY Chairman

Mr. Walley and Boardman a Committee to order such Repairs to the Pavement near Dr. Bulfinchs as they shall Judge proper

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 30. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - -	—	15	8
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - -	1	3	0
Biskets of a Copper price — must weigh - - - - -	—	3	4
Biskets of 2 Coppers price — must weigh - - - - -	—	6	8

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do. -	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

Mr. Williams, Collector proposes Dr. Amos Winship & Mr. Robert McNeil Merchant as his Bondsmen, for this Year

Mr. Collector Thompson proposes William Scollay Esq. & Joseph Russell Junr. as his Bondsmen — the Year ensuing

Mr. Collector Bayley proposes James Bayley Gentleman & Henry Bass Merchant as his Bondsmen for the Year ensuing

Mr. Benjamin Henderson proposes Enoch James Black Smith Thomas Parker Mercht. as his Bondsmen for the present Year

[237.] Mr. Scollay, Walley & Edwards, Crafts, a Committee to confer with a Committee of the Overseers of the Poor relative to dismissing such Persons from the Almshouse as are now in circumstances, to provide for themselves

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 1. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Hatch Crafts & Edwards

Passed upon other Accounts

Mr. Hatch & Mr. Sever a Committee on the application of Mr. Perkins, for some repairs to be done in Short Street

The Selectmen approve of Mr. Thompson Bayley & Henderson Bondsmen as proposed to the Selectmen the 30t. of August last — Mr. Williams Bondsmen not being satisfactory he was desired to propose another

Agreed with Mr. Homer to pave the bottom of Brattle Street, he to receive as a full compensation Eleven Pounds, 12/ he to find Stones Gravel &c free of all charge to the Town — the Committee were Mess: Boardman & Dorr, their appointment was on the 2d. of June last — and this Agreement was made sometime in July following

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 2d. 1790 — Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Hatch, Boardman,

Ordered, that the Assize fixed the 30t. of August last be so far altered, as that the 4d. Brick Bread be set at lb. 1 oz. 1 dr. 8 that a Copper Bisket be left out of the Assize, & that a 4d. loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal stand at lb. 2 — instead of lb. 2 oz. 8

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 3d. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Crafts, Walley

Adjourned this Meeting to Monday next 5. OClock P: M: — Reconsidered — and Adjourned to Satturday next 11. oClock. A: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 4. 1790 — Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts,

Mr. Williams Collector. attended — & proposed Benjm. Edes as another Bondsman, but this not being satisfactory he was desired to procure further security

[238.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 6 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Walley, Hatch, Price,

Jurors drawn and entered on the Jury Books as usual

M^{r}. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Alms house was directed to dismiss from said House 21 Persons at the State charge — as p a List on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 8. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Hatch, Crafts, Edwards, Price,

M^{r}. Lee a Methodist Preacher from Virginia having applied to the Selectmen for liberty to preach in Faneuil Hall on Evenings untill next Monday

Voted, as the Opinion of the Selectmen that Faneuil Hall being now occupied for a Reading School, the preaching there must be attended with such inconvenience to Master & Scholars as obliges them to decline granting said request

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 15. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Boardman, Edwards, Walley, Sever, Hatch, Crafts

On the application of the Bakers, for an alteration of the Assize — the matter being considered — Voted, that the Selectmen, do not think it expedient to make any alteration

A Letter being received from M^{r}. Charles Williams acquainting the Selectmen that he declined offering any further security, and that if what he had already offered should be still thought insufficient, in that case resigned his Office as Collector, of Taxes — the Question was therefore put — Whether the Selectmen will reconsider their former Votes. & accept the Securities, proposed by him as satisfactory — Passed in the negative

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting Tuesday next. 3. oClock P: M: in order to choose a Collector of Taxes in the room of M^{r}. Williams

see Sepr. 17

[239.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 17. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Crafts, Edwards, Sever, Boardman,

M^{r}. Williams having offered Stephen Bruce in addition to M^{r}. McNeil, D^{r}: Winship Benj. Edes & Stephen Bruce as his Bondsmen — they were approved of by the Selectmen

Moved, that the Selectmen reconsider their Vote passed on the 15 Ins^{t}. for calling a Town Meeting — passed in the affirmative

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 22^{d}. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Hatch,

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town meeting on Monday the 4^{t}. of October next for giving in Votes for a Representative in Congress

Mess: Edes & Son to have the printing of the Notifications

Mr. Sever & Colo. Hatch a Committee to wait on Mr. West & ask him to open the ensuing Town Meeting with Prayer

Next Fryday 3. OClock P.M: Assigned for taking the matter of Dr. Franklyns Donation into consideration

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24, 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Crafts

The Selectmen having taken into consideration what remains to be done by them relative to Dr. Franklins Donation, — Mr. Price was appointed a Committee to write Stephen Collins Esq, requesting that he would procure Copies of all the proceedings of the Corporation of Philadelphia, respecting Dr. Franklins Donation to that City

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 27. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Hatch, Edwards, Boardman,

[**240.**] Ordered, that the Assize of Bread, be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. White Loaf - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	—	10	14
a 4d. Loaf of brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	3	12
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - -	1	5	12
8d. do. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2	11	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weight - - - - -	—	7	4
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	4	0
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread, not above ½ Indian do.,	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

On the application of Timothy Pease Master of Engine No. 5— for the Premium allowed by the Town for first playing on the Fire at the Long Wharff

Voted, that he have a draft for £1. 8

drawn for

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Price, Walley, Hatch, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Sever

Passed upon other Accounts

Colo. Hatch Reports, that in his Opinion, about five pounds worth of Gravel from Purchase Street to Battery March may make the Ways passable & a quantity needed at Battery March

Colo. Hatch appointed for to make the Road above mentioned passable

Mr. Boardman & Mr. Edwards a Committee to view Mr. Morses Store, and order necessary Repairs

The Dock Watch attended, & Jotham Leavet was enformed that the Selectmen had dismissed him on complaint against him for unfaithfulness but on his promising to behave well for the

future he was told, that the Selectmen would try him for one month — Constable Starr & his Men were then informed as there had been frequent complaints against his Watch, the whole of them would be [**241.**] dismissed unless they were circumspect in their future behavior

Col°. Crafts Mr. Price

Fryday seven night assigned for taking up the business of warning Strangers to depart agreeable to a late Law — Mr. Constable Homans, Hews, Perkins & Cade, are to be notified to attend at that time, at the Selectmens Chamber — Mr. Nazro enformed thereof

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. [6] 1790
Present Mess: Scollay, Boardman, Walley, Price, Hatch,

Constable Edmunds proposes Benjamin Abrahams as a Watchman for his Watch in the room of John Owens who has left the Watch — & he was approved accordingly

Voted, that a Sum not exceeding twenty Pounds, be laid out on the House at Deer Island under the direction of Col°. Hatch; — Tukesbury the Tenant to get the work done, which is deducted out of his Rent

Mr. Scollay, Price & Walley a Committee to treat with any Person relating the Sale of the House & Land now occupied by Mr. Carter in Tremont Street, & the reversion of the Land adjoining thereunto — the Selectmen have agreed that Six hundred Pounds is the rate, that the House is to be set at

Four Grand Jurors & six Petit Jurors appointed & drawn for the Circuit Court — their Names are posted in the Jury Box

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 8. 1790 A: M
Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards,

The Selectmen agree that there be allowed for each of the Towns School Seven Cord of Wood, excepting Mr. Cheneys who is to have four Cord

[**242.**] Mr. Sever & Col°. Hatch a Committee to provide Wood for Mr. Vinal & Mr. Ticknors Schools

Mr. Crafts & Mr. Walley a Committee to provide the Wood for Mr. Bingham & Mr. Carters School

Mr. Dorr & Mr. Edwards for Mr. Tileston & Mr. Cheneys School

Mr. Price to provide for Mr. Hunts School

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 13. 1790
Present Messrs: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman, Walley, Crafts Hatch,

The Selectmen assign next Monday for considering the business of warning Strangers to depart the Town

Six extra Jurors drawn for Court of Common Pleas, the Names entered in Jury Book and Posted

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 18. 1790
Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Boardman,

Did not make a Board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 20. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Sever, Hatch, Crafts,

Messrs. Hutchinson & Singleton, Coopers sworn as Inspectors of pickled Fish, Pork & Beef, for the Port of Boston

Oliver Lebarron approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Hanover Street

Col^{o}. Hatch appointed to order Gravel on the Road or Street called Sea Street

M^{r}. Sever appointed to provide Shovels Tongs & Hand Irons for M^{r}. Ticknors School

M^{r}. Walley, Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Hatch a Comm^{ee}. to provide a Stove for M^{r}. Ticknors School

M^{r}. Walley a Comm^{e}. to settle with Col^{o}. Dawes as to damages on the School late Ticknors

[**243.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 25. 1790 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ — and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1	8	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread - - d^{o}.	1	10	8
Biskets of a Copper price - - d^{o}.	0	0	0
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - d^{o}.	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	0	0

Constable Henchman presents Joseph Shed as a suitable Person for his Watch in the room of M^{r}. Wendall who is disabled by illness

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 27. 1790 Present Mess: Scollay, Dorr, Walley, Boardman, Hatch, Sever,

Passed upon Accounts

M^{r}. Walley & Col^{o}. Hatch a Comm^{ee}. to view Cow Lane & Jolop Lane & Report

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 3^{d}. — 1790 Present Mess: Dorr; Sever,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 10. 1790 Present Mess: Dorr, Sever, Price, Walley Edwards, Boardman,

M^{r}. Sever is appointed to Advertise for Sale, and then to make Sale of two of the Town Bulls

M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Hatch a Committee to view Beach Street agreeable to the request of a number of the Inhabitants, — and to Report to the Board, what is proper to be done, as to a survey or Repairs

[**244.**] On the application of a number of the Bakers

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their

Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	—	12	6
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Ditto - - - - - d^{o}. - - - -	1	8	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread - - - d^{o}. - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of two Copper price - - d^{o}. - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye d^{o}. -	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}. - - -	3	0	0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 17 — 1790 Present Messrs: Boardman, Hatch Edwards,

Messrs: Fisher & Stillman, two of the Clerks of the Market, informed the Selectmen that one of the Bakers had prevented them from taking away Bread which was not answerable to the Assize

Mess: Sigorney & Robinson enformed the Selectmen that a Blacksmiths Shop was erecting near the North Church & praying the interposition of the Selectmen to prevent it from its apprehended danger to the Inhabitants

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Sever, Hatch, Crafts, Boardman, Walley,

Henry Purket appointed by the Selectmen a Packer & Searcher, of pickled Pork, Beef, & Fish — within the Town of Boston, and was sworn as the Law directs

The Selectmen are unanimously of Opinion that it will be for the Interest of the Town that the Continental Money in the hands of the Town Treasurer should be funded

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to [245.] Confer with M^{r}. Fowles relative to his erecting a Building near Olivers Dock

John Bryant approved of as an Inholder for the House in State Street commonly known by the Name of the American Coffee House

Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Dorr a Comm^{ee}. to make an estimate of the Repairs necessary for Ferryway Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 29 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Price, Hatch Edwards.

Passed upon Accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lbs.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Ditto - - - - d^{o}. - - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread - - d^{o}. - - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of two Coppers price - d^{o}. - - - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}. -	2	4	0
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}. - - - - -	3	0	0

The Committee on Ferryway Street, Report that it will not be

expedient to make any Repairs untill next Year & said Report was accepted

Mr. Sever appointed relative to the Repairs or stopping up the Well in ——— Street So. part of the Town being now open & dangerous

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 1. 1790 Present Dorr Price Walley Boardman, Hatch, Sever. Edwards, Crafts

Passed upon other Accounts

[246.] Mr. Shippy Townsend acquaints the Selectmen, that there is a Well in a Cellar of a House of Colo. Jacksons, which runs over, & in his Opinion may be made serviceable to the Town in case of Fire

Mess: Dorr and Edwards a Committee to procure another Stove for Mr. Tileston School if the Committee should Judge it necessary

Mr. Sever added to the Committee for procuring Stoves for the Schools in School Street & South End

Voted that the Blanks of the Assize of Bread entered in these Minutes on Wednesday last be filled up at the rate of Flour at 40/ p Bll: which at 3 bush: & ¼. of Wheat for 1 hundred Flour will make the Assize of Bread stand as Wheat at 7/ p Bushel

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 8t. Present Messrs: Dorr, Edwards, Price, Hatch, Sever. Boardman, Crafts,

Two of the Firewards, acquainted the Selectmen the Engine No. 2 Capt. Bouve, is so out of repairs that it was necessary, that a new one should be procured — they were desired to direct the Master, to get such Repairs for the present, as would make her of some service, till another can be obtained

Mr. Dorr & Edwards — a Commee. to view said Engine, and if they Judge a new one necessary, then to look out for a suitable one and make Report

Colo. Crafts a Committee to enquire relative to the Fish Stalls said to be erected without liberty obtained of the Board for said purpose

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 15. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr Walley Edwards, Hatch, Price, Crafts,

[247.] Mr. Walley & Mr. Edwards a Committee on Mr. Austens Petition for lowring the Rent of his Shop

The Committee relative to a Fire Engine Reported, that one might be obtained of Capt. Horton — whereupon

Voted that said Committee procure an Engine of said Horton, provided a suitable & good one can be had, for Forty five Pounds

Mr. Joseph Whittemore, is appointed by the Selectmen a Searcher & Packer, of Barrel'd Fish Pork & Beef, for one Year, for the Port of Boston, he having been recommended as a suitable Person for said office

Capt. Timothy Pease of Engine No. 5. applies for the Premium

of twenty eight Shillings, allowed by the Town, their Engine having been brought to work first on the Fire which lately broke out on Capt. Woods Ship at Long Wharff — granted & drawn for.

Mr. Walley a Committee to order the necessary Repairs to Mr. Bonners House.

John Size his Wife and four Children cast away on Cape Cod being bound from St. Johns to N York pray assistance & produced a Certificate a Copy of which placed on the File of Mixed Papers.

Mr. Nazro directed to furnish the said Family with one Dollar to pay Shepherd for their board and seven Dollars to defray charges on their Journey, provided they set off on the Morrow.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 22d. 1790 Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Boardman, Edwards, Hatch, Walley, Sever,

[**248.**] Ten petit Jurors drawn out of the Box for a District Court, and entered & posted in the Jury Books

Moses Tyler approved as a Retailer for his Shop in Federal Street.

John Roulston approved as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Shop in Back Street

Abner Stodder approved as a Retailer at his Shop in Fish Street.

Mary Cooper approved as a Tavern Keeper for her House in Wings Lane

Elizabeth Hutson approved as a Retailer for her Shop in Middle Street.

Mr. Price, Mr. Walley & Mr. Boardman a Committee to receive from the Widow of our late worthy Chairman, all Mrs Brookers Bonds & Writings and every other Paper belonging to the Town.

Thomas Smith approved as a Retailer at his Shop near Town Dock.

Agreed that the Rent of the Shop occupied by Mr. Sam: Austin Junr. be at £6 — p Quarter commencing the 5t. Inst.

sent Treasurer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 27. 1790 Present Mess: Dorr, Price, Boardman, Hatch, Edwards, Sever,

Passed upon Accounts

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/p bushel, & that 12d. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - -	—	11	9
4d. Loaf of do. - - - - do. - - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4d. loaf of brick Bread, do. - - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price, do. - - - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye do. - - -	2	4	0
a 4d. Ditto not above ½ Indian - - - - do. - - -	3	0	0

[**249.**] Mr. Pope desires to be excused from the care of all the Town Clocks as to Repairs.

Mr. Sever appointed to procure a suitable Person for the care of the Town Clocks in the room of Mr. Pope.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 29. 1790. Present Messrs. Dorr, Price, Sever, Edwards, Boardman,

Passed upon other Accounts — & examined

The Committee to receive Mrs. Brookers & other Papers from Mr. Scollay — Reported that they had received the same, & laid them on the Table whereupon — Mr. Price was desired to take charge of said Papers — untill next Wednesday — & that the other Papers be deposited with the other Files of the Town.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 5. 1791 Present Messrs: Dorr, Price, Edwards, Crafts, Walley, Sever,

Sarah Adams approved of to Retail Spirits at her Shop in Charter Street.

George French approved of as an Inholder, at his House in Ann Street

Mary Galaspey approved of as a Retailer of Spirits at her Shop in Essex Street.

Colo. Crafts appointed to make enquiry relative to Mr. Salters Drain.

Mr. Price is desired to deliver the Papers relative to Mrs. Brookers Donation, to the care of Mr. Sever — and they have been delivered accordingly.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 12. 1791 Present Mess: Dorr, Walley, Boardman, Hatch, Crafts, Edwards,

Thomas Blake approved of as a Retailer of Spirits at his Shop in Cow Lane —

[250.] Daniel Patchtold approved as an Inholder for the T.

Mr. Walley & Colo. Hatch a Committee on the complaint of Mr. Thomas Hill, to view a Water course through his Land & Report the Circumstances

Mr. Nazro directed to call upon the Captains of the Engine Men, for a Return of their Men to be approved of by the Selectmen, this Day fortnight acquainted Mr. Nazro

Mr. Sever a Committee to procure three Cord of Wood for Mr. Ticknors School

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 19. 1791 Present Messrs: Hatch,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 26. 1791 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Price, Edwards, Walley,

Mr. Ingerfield, acquaints the Selectmen that he gives up the Stall in Faneuil Hall which he has occupied for some Years.

Mary Barter [Barton?] approved as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors for her Shop in Charter Street

Deacon Martin approved as a Retailer of Spirits for his Shop in Fish Street.

Benjamin Callender. do. for his Shop in Temple Street.

Samuel Britnet near Lattin School Lane approved of — James Stewart, Shop in Fish Street

Mr. Fisher & Mr. Stillman are to be desired by Mr. Nazro to attend next Monday.

Mr. May is to be desired by Mr. Nazro to attend Monday next at Selectmens Chamber.

On the application of Mr. Vinal, Ordered that he be allowed three Cord of Wood, more for his School.

[**251.**] A Tomb in the Common Burying Ground formerly owned by a Mr. Sergeant being now empty & out of Repair & no owner appearing & Deacon William Boardman having applyed for the same it is granted him conditioned that if any Owner should hereafter appear he is to deliver up the same provided he is repaid all the charges & expences, that he may have been at from the time of his taking possession thereof, untill its redelivery

Mr. Edwards a Committee to write to Philadelphia relative to Franklyn Donation

Boston Ss: Granted by the Selectmen Jany. 31. 1791. Present Messrs: Dorr, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4d. Loaf of ditto - - - ditto - - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread - ditto - - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price - ditto - - - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4d. Loaf brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye do. - - - - -	2	4	0
a 4d. Ditto, not above ½ Indian Meal — do. - - -	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts.

On Motion directed, that the Town Clerk publish in Mr. Russells & Mr. Adams, News Papers, the Assize of Bread as it may be stated from time to time.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 2d. 1791 Present Messrs: Dawes, [Dorr,] Edwards, Hatch, Sever, Boardman, Crafts.

Mr. May Measurer of Wood appeared & was [**252.**] enquired of and directed as to the manner of his measuring Wood, that Justice might be done between Buyer & Seller.

The Selectmen having sent for Mr. Leavet one of the Dock Watch, and heard him relative to the charge of Intemperance, do approve of his being dismissed said Watch, by the Constable

Passed upon other Accounts.

John Kennedy approbated as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his Store on Long Wharff

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9. 1791 Present Messrs: Boardman, Hatch, Price, Crafts, Edwards.

Passed upon Samuel Gookins State Account for supplies of William Thurston a Stranger amounting to £10–3–10.

Capt. Nazro of Engine No. 6. applies for the Premium allowed

by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first on the late Fire at Stanfords College West Boston.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 16. 1791 Present Messrs: Boardman, Hatch, Walley, Crafts, Edwards,

Mem^{o}. M^{r}. Jotham Horton has received an Order of this date on Treasurer Russell for fifteen Pounds in part of forty five Pounds he is to receive for a Fire Engine when compleated which is to be deducted out of the said £45. when the Draught shall be given

Thomas Willson to have from this Day the Stall in Faneuil Hall Market which had been improved by M^{r}. Ingerfield, at the rate of £ p Quarter being the rate Ingerfield held his, to be paid quarterly. sent Treasurer

[**253.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 23^{d}. 1791 Present Messrs: Dorr, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Crafts, Price

M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Hatch a Committee to view the Towns Land opposite to Capt. Gustavus Fellows and they are to Report whether it is advisable to Rent the same to M^{r}. Andrew Cunningham for the landing Lumber thereon.

M^{r}. Nazro directed to require the attendance of several Sextons at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday.

Thomas Pitcher appointed a Watchman at the Dock Watch,

Ordered, that M^{r}. Timothy Pease & Comp^{y}. of Engine N°. 5. have agreeable to his application a draft on the Treasury for the premium for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire which lately broke out at a House in Quaker Lane.

Samuel Jennison approved as a Retailer for his Shop in

M^{r}. Henry Hill one of the Executors of D^{r}. Franklin, has by his Letter of Feby. 1^{t}. 1791 — acquainted the Selectmen that they are now ready to pay in full the Sums of £1000 — £100 — to the Person or Persons, who appear duly authorised to receive & grant receipts for them agreably to the tenor of the Will — as will more fully appear by referance to the Will placed on the file of mixt Papers for 1791.

The Assize of Bread for the Government of the Bakers & Clerks of the Market to be affixed on Monday next.

[**254.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28th. [1791.] Present Messrs: Edwards, Price, Boardman, Dorr, Crafts,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	12	6
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Ditto must weigh	1	8	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Coppers price, must weigh	—	8	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

Mr. Ezekiel Russell at the South End applies for the printing of the Notifications for next March Town Meeting.

Mr. Edwards is desired to prepare a Draught of a Power of Attorney for the Receit of Dr. Franklins Donations.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 2d. [1791.] Present Mess: Dorr, Walley, Hatch, Seaver, Crafts, Price, Edwards,

Colo. Hatch appointed to examin the Alms House Accounts, and make Report.

Passed upon Accounts.

Colo. Hatch & Mr. Edwards a Committee to view the Engine building by Capt. Horton and Report the Sum he ought to receive for the same.

Mr. Edwards Reported a Power to be sent in Order to receive & give discharge to the Execrs. of Dr. Franklin, for the Donation to this Town which was approved of by the Selectmen

[**255.**] Ordered that Benjamin Edes & Son have the printing of the Notifications for March Meeting

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 4t. [1791.] Present Messrs: Edwards, Boardman, Dorr, Walley, Hatch, Price, Sever, Crafts

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 14t. of March Inst. 10 O'Clock A: M: for the choice of Town Officers for the Year ensuing.

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Price a Commte. to wait upon Revd. Mr. Thatcher and request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer.

Mess: Edes & Son to have the printing of the Notifications as p a Vote on the 2d. Inst.

Passed upon two Accounts of Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse amounting to £1116–2–11½ — & £81–16–1 — as by Copies to be placed on file when received.

Passed upon two Accounts of the late Capt. Samuel Partridge late Keeper of the Alms house amounting to £1559–0–2½ — & £1178–5–3 — as by Copies to be placed on file when received

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5. 1791 Present Messrs: Dorr, Walley, Hatch, Sever, Boardman, Edwards,

Passed upon two Accounts of the late Samuel Partridge late Keeper of the Alms house amounting to £84.14.9 & £121.14.9 — as by Copies to be placed on file when received the Cirtificates were dated the 4t. Inst.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 9t. [1791.] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Hatch,

[**256.**] Passed upon two Accounts of Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse amounting to £1002.9.6¼ — & £74–9–7 — as p Copies to be placed on file, when received.

Mr. John Carteret Cooper appointed by the Selectmen a

Searcher & Packer of Barrel'd Beef Pork & pickled Fish for the Town of Boston — and was sworn to the faithful discharge of his trust as the Law directs

Joseph Blaney appointed a Funeral Undertaker for the South Buryal Ground in the room of William Mc.fadden.

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Edwards & Mr. Walley a Commee. to confer with the Committee of the General Court for passing Accounts, relative to some of the Poor of the Almshouse, objected to by them as States Poor,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 16. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards,

Six Grand Jurymen for the Year chosen and entered in Jury Book.

Mr. Nazro to desire Mr. Coffin to attend the Selectmen next Wednesday.

Mr. Sever appointed to procure two new Bulls.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 23 [1791.] Present Mess: Sever, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Price,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 4t. of April next being the Day assigned by the Constitution for the choice of Governor &c.

Ezekiel Price Esq. & Colo. Crafts a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Clarke — and to request his opening the Meeting with Prayer.

[**257.**] Mr. Norman — to have the printing of the Notification for the ensuing Town Meeting.

The Town Treasurer appears & offers as his Sureties Michael Moses Hayes Broker, William Tuder Esq. Samuel Clap Auchtioneer. James White Stationer — and they are approved of by the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28t. [1791.] Present Mess: Edwards, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Price, Crafts

Passed upon other Accounts.

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ — p bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	13	4
a 4d. Loaf of ditto, must weigh - - - - - - - - -	1	10	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread — do. - - - - - - - - -	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price, must weigh - - - - - - -	—	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye do. - - -	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Ditto not above ½ Indian do. - - - - -	3	0	0

John Erving Junr. approbated for his Store Marlborough Street 42 — to Retail

James Harris do. at his Shop Orange Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [March 30. 1791.] Present Messrs Walley, Crafts, Sever, Boardman Little,

Mr. Abraham Bishop approved of for keeping a private School in this Town.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 5t. [1791.] Present Mess: Edwards, Cabbot, Bulfinch, Crafts, Sever, Little, Walley, Boardman,

[258.] Grand Jurors & Petit Jurors chosen & drawn for the Circuit Court — & entred in Jury Book

Nine petit Jurors for Court of Common Pleas drawn and entered in Jury Books.

On the Petition of Oliver Wendell Esq. & others for paving Battery March, — Mr. Walley, Sever & Little a Committee to confer with the Abuttors.

A certificate given that the late Widow of Patrick Connelly is the proper Person to receive what may be due to her late Husband for wages &c. while in the Continental service.

The Selectmen taking under consideration the Will of Dr. Benjamin Franklin as it respects his Donation to the Town of £1000 Sterling — Voted, that as Trustees of said Donation they are to be united by said Will with the Ministers of the oldest Episcopalian Congregational & Presbyterian Churches of this Town — and whereas there is in this Town no Presbyterian Church — Voted, that the said Selectmen united with the Ministers of the old Brick Church, as the First Congregational one, and the Minister of the Chapel Church as the first Episcopalian Church are the Trustees of the said Donation.

Liberty is granted Mr. Joseph Stacy Sampson to carry on the business of a Tallow Chandler in Buildings on the East side of the Neck, lately improved as Salt Works, untill such time as he shall be forbidden by the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 13t. [1791.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Cabbot, Bulfinch, Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Price

On the 5 Inst. the following Vote passed

[259.] Voted, that Mr. Crafts, Mr. Edwards & Mr. Bulfinch be a Committee to have the Stalls in Market Square numbered & fix the prices to the same, including Fish and Shoemakers Stalls — and to have the Fish Stalls removed on the West side of the Fish Market

On application of Capt. Newman & Mr. Bruce, for the use of the Hospital at West Boston for the Recruits raised or to be raised for the Continental service — It was the opinion of the Selectmen, that they could not consistent with their duty to the Commonwealth, consent at present, that the Hospital House should be improved as requested.

The Selectmen agreeable to a Vote of the Town, have computed the probable Income of the Market without the House at about £346 — p Year — the transient Persons to pay 2d. p Day which is included in the above computation

Henry Blackburne a Chimney Sweeper having lost his Badge, is permitted to obtain another, provided it is at his own expence

Mr. Edwards to publish in the Thursdays Paper extracts from the Law relative to Boards &c.

On the application of the Sealers of Wood that Districts might

be assigned to the respective Sealers chosen by the Town — the Selectmen are of opinion that this matter does not lye with them to settle —

Mr. Little appointed one of the Commee. relative to the new Engine, who are to give it the same name of the last

[**260.**] Mr. Sever & Major Cabbot to give Repairs to pleasant Street — & view & make report relative to the repairs of Nassau Street.

Mr. Bulfinch & Majr. Cabbot a Committee relative to the repairs of Hancock Street & to make Report.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 20t. [1791.] Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Cabbot, Price, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little, Boardman, Edwards

Capt. Curtis applies for the removal of a Post from the Passage-way, near Blighs House so called — whereupon —

Majr. Cabbot & Mr. Sever, appointed a Committee to view & make Report

Mr. Walley & Mr. Little a Commee. to direct the necessary Repairs of Cow Lane.

Mr. Whitwell exhibited an Account of the deductions from the charge made for State Poor & placed on file of mixed Papers.

Mr. Nathaniel Henchman appointed to take a List of the Cows which are kept in this Town, & to receive the Sums set upon each Cow for the Year 1791.

The Selectmen Agree that the Owners of each Cow shall pay Annually four Shillings p Cow to the Collector - - - appointed by the Selectmen except such Persons as may keep up their Cows, which shall be only two Shillings, the produce of which to be applied for the purchase & keeping of the Town Bulls and other charges — the Collector to have a Copy of the above — an abstract of the Law &c. to be published in the Centinel & Thursdays Papers

Memo. it was published in said Papers also Edes & Son's

[**261.**] The following Persons this Day appointed by the Selectmen Searchers & packers of barrel'd Beef Pork & Fish for this Town — Vizt.

Messrs:	Joseph Whittemore - - - - - - - -	sworn
	John Carteret - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Henry Purkett - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	James Barry - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Samuel Abbot - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
Capt.	Lemuel Gardner - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Samuel Avis - . - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Manasseh Marston Senr. - - - - - -	sworn
	Joseph Bassett - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Arthur Langsford - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Joseph Loring - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
Capt.	Caleb Hayden - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	John Bray - - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Joseph Spear - - - - - - - - - -	sworn
	Isaac Smith Junr. - - - - - - - - -	sworn

Israel Cook - - - - - - - - - - - sworn
George Singleton - - - - - - - - - sworn
who were sworn as the Law directs —

see May 4 for others

Col°. Crafts Mr. Walley & Mr. Edwards a Commee. to examine the Account handed in by Mr. Whitwell relative to deductions made on the charge for the State Poor.

Mr. Walley Mr. Little & Mr. Boardman a Commee. to view the bottom of State Street & report what is proper to be done.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25, 1791 Present Messrs: Edwards, Bulfinch, Crafts, Walley, Cabbot, Boardman, Walley Price,

Passed upon Accounts

[**262.**] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat a 5/6 p Bushel and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb	oz	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -		14	4
a 4d. Loaf of ditto, must weigh - - - -	1	12	8
a 4d Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - -	1	10	8
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - -		9	8
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d°.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of ditto not above ½ Indian d°. - -	3	0	0

Mr. Collector Henderson having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers that he had paid in the sums committed to him to Collect for the Year 1789 — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver him up — the Bond given for said Year.

Mr. Walley & Majr. Cabbot added to the Committee who are to settle Nazros Accounts, & they are requested to bring it to a final close.

On a letter received from the Gentlemen Proprietors of the Duck Manufactory requesting the approbation of the Selectmen for their opening a Sunday School and their Opinion on the subject — The Selectmen are of opinion that however eligible the measure may be the Law respecting Schools had not in contemplation such as is requested and therefore does not authorise them to approbate it.

sent p Mr. Nazro

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 27 [1791] Present Messrs: Little, Cabbot, Bulfinch, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards.

Passed upon other Accounts.

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of Representatives on Tuesday the 10t. Day of May next at 10. O Clock A: M:

[**263.**] Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little — a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Eliot — & request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer.

Mr. Ezekiel Russell to have the printing of the Notifications, for said Meeting.

Mr. Walley Colo. Crafts & Mr. Price a Committee to conferr with the Abuttors on Joliffs Lane, & Report the applications of Mr. Stack Pole & Mr. Minot.

The Sexton of Mr. Wests Church is permitted to ring the Bell — at the hours of 11 - 1 - & 9 O'Clock — his name Joseph Blaney.

This being the time assigned for the opening of the proposals sent in Writing for the hiring Faneuil Hall Market Stalls without the House — it is agreed that no other proposal shall be received after the first shall have been opened.

On opening the several Proposals, it appeared that

Mr. Matthew Nazro, offers - - - - - - - -	£180
Majr. Joshua Davis - - - - - - - - - - -	200
Mr. Benjamin Homans - - - - - - - - - -	204
Mr. Matthew Clark - - - - - - - - - - -	220
Mr. Christopher Clark - - - - - - - - - -	231
Deacon Daniel Jones - - - - - - - - - -	276

The Selectmen on the application of Capt. Pease of Engine No. 9. for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the late Fire at Mr. Joel Hagars House — Voted that he have a draft in this Months draught, for, £1 - 8.

Information having been given the Selectmen that two Negro Children at Mrs. Wibirds House name Hannah Brown & Peggy, were suspected of having [264.] the Small Pox — Mr. Nazro was directed to send them to the Hospital at New Boston.

On the request of Mr. Haskins he is permitted to open a Drain into the Common Shore from the House of John Eliot deceased — he making good the ground & restoring the Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Town Clerk directed to close the Draught for this month.

Mr. Edwards & Colo. Crafts a Committee to prepare Bonds for the Person who is the highest bidder for the Market.

Mr. Sever appointed to Lease the Bull Pasture and also the one formerly Mr. Fosters.

Boston Ss: At the Meeting of the Selectmen May 4t 1791 Present Messrs: Cabbot, Edwards, Bulfinch, Walley, Boardman, Little, Price, Crafts,

Mr. John Symms applies to the Selectmen for being appointed an Auchtioneer, for the present Year.

Mr. Daniel Jones proposes Mr. Martin Bicker Merct. & Thomas Kilby Jones — Auchtioneer — as his Bondsmen for Clerk of the Market approved by the Selectmen

A Committee of the ancient & honourable Artillery Company, — apply to the Selectmen, that Faneuil Hall may be repainted.

Mr. Joshua Eaton, & Mr. Robert Molineux & Mr. James Eaton apply for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers.

Mess. Russel & Clap, Lewis Hoyt, Thoms. K. Jones, Edward Procter, apply for approbation as Auchtioneers.

see May 16

Mr. Jones's Bondsmen which he has offered as Clerk of the Market, are approved of by the Selectmen.

[**265.**] The following Persons on their application for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers were accordingly approbated — Viz^{t}.

Messrs. Russell & Clapp
Edward Procter
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas K. Jones
John Symms — resigned for M^{r}. James Eaton
see May 11
Joshua Eaton
Robert Mollineux see May 11

all Inhabitants of this Town, and the Town Clerk is directed to prepare Certificates of the tenor of the last Year to be signed by the Selectmen.

Col^{o}. Crafts M^{r}. Cabbot, & M^{r}. Bulfinch a Committee to carry sundry Votes passed August 25 — for the regulation of the Market into execution — also to procure Scales & weights & Measures for the Contractor for the Market, he to be accountable for the same to the Selectmen.

The following Persons this Day appointed Searchers & Packers of barrel'd Beef Pork & Fish for this Town in addition to the 17 appointed the 20^{t}. of April last.

Messrs: Robert Hitchborn
Robert Hodge - - - - - - - - - - - sworn
Edward Burt - - - - - - - - - - - sworn
Ephraim Hutchinson - - - - - - - - sworn
John Dobson - - - - - - - - - - - sworn
Thomas Barber - - - - - - - - - - sworn
Jobb Wheelwright - - - - - - - - - sworn
David S. Marston - - - - - - - - - sworn
John Smith Junr. - - - - - - - - - sworn
Timothy Pease Jr. - - - - - - - - - sworn
Benjamin Loring - - - - - - - - - - sworn
John Newell - - - - - - - - - - - sworn
Jonathan Cushing - - - - - - - - - sworn
William Parkman - - - - - - - - - sworn
see June 1

[**266**] and were sworn as the Law directs.

On the application of Jonathan Fowls for erecting a Building upon his Land over the Water Course in Water Street, Liberty granted conditioned.

On the application of M^{r}. Loverign — Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Sever appointed a Committee to view the Street leading to Fosters Wharff.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 11 — 1791
Present Messrs: Crafts, Cabbot, Edwards, Bulfinch, Price, Sever,

John Badger applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer for the Town of Boston for the present Year — approved accordingly.

An advertisement to be inserted, relative to Leasing the Hay Market.

Mr. Sever & Colo. Crafts a Committee to make out Selectmens Accounts against the State.

The Committee to number the Stalls on the Square are requested to number the Stalls in the Market House.

The Selectmen agree that the Hall shall be painted.

Mr. James Eaton approved of as an Auchtioneer in the room of Mr. John Symms who has in Writing sent into the Selectmen & on file, determined accepting his appointment.

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Bulfinch appointed a Committee to contract with some Person to paint Faneuil Hall & the Selectmens Room, as early as possible — the said Committee to receive proposals sealed up & to contract with the lowest bidder.

[**267.**] Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to see to the removal of the Engine House at North Square.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 16. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch,

Mr. John Badger approved of as an Auchtioneer a Certificate was given him accordingly.

Information having been given the Selectmen that a Person in Fore Street from Philadelphia had the appearance of the Small Pox upon him — they immediately took measures for his removal, when they found that his Friends had on said appearance, removed him to the Small Pox Hospital at Brookline.

Upon application of his Excellency the Governor for leave to be indulged with the use of Faneuil Hall on the Day of Election, and the Day preceding it — The Governor is indulged agreeable to his request.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 18. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch,

Samuel Bradley has the Loan of one of the Town Lamps, he to return the same or to be accountable therefor to the Selectmen, when required.

Mr. Walley in the room of Colo. Hatch on the Committee, to view an Abutment, near Joshua Henshaws Distill-house.

Capt. Somes applies for the repairs of a Wall between the School-house occupied by Carter & Bingham & the late Mr. Cooks.

The Commee. relative to paving Battery March to Report an Estimate of the charge of paving so far as to Purchase Street.

An Advertisement relative to Leasing the Hay Market to be published of the same tenor with last Years.

[**268.**] The Bull Pasture Leased to George Zeagler for £8–8 — from this date to the last of Decemr. next.

On the application of Capt. Somes Mr. Walley Mr. Crafts & Mr. Sever, appointed to make enquiry & Report thereon.

Fosters Pasture so called let to Joseph Sprage from May 7. to the last of Decemr. next for £7–4 —

The Governor having very politely invited the Selectmen to a

public Dinner at Faneuil Hall on the Day of Election — the Chairman of the Board is desired to acquaint his Excellency, in reply to his Billet, that they will do themselves the honor to await upon him, on said Day agreeably to his said invitation.

Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thatcher appointed to pronounce an Oration on the 4^{t}. of July next.

M^{r}. Price and M^{r}. Walley a Committee to wait on M^{r}. Thatcher & request his services.

M^{r}. Price & M^{r}. Walley & Col^{o}. Crafts a Comm^{ee}. to apply to another suitable Person to perform that duty in case M^{r}. Thatcher declines.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 27^{t}. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Cabot, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards.

The Committee appointed to examin the State of Hancock Street leading into George Street at the West End of the Town —

Reported, That the said Street might be put in good order, and made convenient at a [**269.**] Small Expence to be defrayed by Subscription of the Inhabitants at that part of the Town — The Report accepted &

Voted, that the said Committee be desired to carry the same into effect.

Voted, that the Committee for applying to the General Court, for an allowance for the deductions some time since made from the Accounts exhibited, be desired to make application to the Court for a Grant of Money to be lodged with the Governor & Council to defray the Expences of removing from this State such Poor Persons being Foreigners, as are fit to be removed, and a saving thereby made to the State.

Voted, That M^{r}. Cabot be added to the Committee for removing Paupers to the Towns to which they belong.

The appointment of Scavingers assigned for next Meeting.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 30. 1791 Present Mess: Walley, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Cabbot, Bulfinch, Price, Boardman, Little.

Passed upon Accounts.

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p bushel and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of White Bread, must weigh - - - - - -	—	14	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto - - - must weigh - - - - - -	1	12	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - - -	1	10	8
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - - -	—	9	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}. -	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal, must weigh,	3	0	0

[**270.**] M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Bulfinch, a Committee to procure outside blinds for such of the Town Schools as they may Judge shall want them.

Col°. Crafts a Comm^ee^. to enquire & make Report on the Constables Accounts for warning Officers.

Passed upon Messrs Houghton & Curtis' State Account amounting to £26–17— as p Copy to be received.

Voted, that the several Selectmen in the respective Wards Assigned them in the following Statement be authorised to direct such Repairs &^c^. as may be necessary not exceeding five pounds to any particular Person

M^r^. Little for	Wards - - - -	N°. 1. & 2^d^.
M^r^. Edwards -	- - - - - - - - -	3. & 4
M^r^. Boardman	- - - - - - - - -	5 —
M^r^. Cabbot	- - - - - - - - -	6 & 7
M^r^. Price -	- - - - - - - - -	8 —
M^r^. Crafts	- - - - - - - - -	9 —
M^r^. Walley	- - - - - - - - -	10 —
M^r^. Bulfinch	- - - - - - - - -	11 —
M^r^. Sever -	- - - - - - - - -	12 —

M^r^. Sever is requested to provide a suitable Person for taking care of the Clocks in this Town provided the Sum does not exceed twelve Pounds.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1^t^. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts Cabbot,

Passed upon other Accounts in the Month of March last, draft exam^d^.

M^r^. Ebenezer Woodward appointed a Searcher & Packer of barreld pickled Beef Pork & fish for this Town & was sworn to the faithful discharge of his trust. see May 4^t^.

The Comm^ee^. appointed to apply to a suitable Person to deliver an Oration on the 4^t^. of July next in case M^r^. Thatcher should decline that service Report,

[**271.**] That M^r^. Thatcher having declined that service they had applied to M^r^. Thomas Crafts Junr. who accepted the appointment.

Selectmen passed upon the Draught for last Month after examination.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8^t^. [1791.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Cabot, Bulfinch.

M^r^. Sever appointed to examine the Accounts of M^r^. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse for support of States Poor, and Report how they are vouched.

M^r^. Boardman, Walley & Price a Committee to examine into the Circumstances of M^rs^. Catherine Merret in order to Report to the Judge of Probate, whether she is or not a Lunatick or distracted Person.

Passed upon Samuel Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, State Accompt am°. as p Copy on file to £25 –19–4.

On opening the several Papers which inclosed offers for the

hire of the Towns Hay Engine the ensuing Year — Mr. Fosters offer was accepted, he being in the Opinion of the Selectmen the most *suitable Person* for that business — £151 — p Annum

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 15. 1791 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Edwards, Cabot, Bulfinch, Price, Little, Crafts,

Mr. Cabot & Price a Committee to wait on the Commc. of the old Brick Church, for the use of their Building on the 4t. of July next.

The said Committee are to make reply to the Application of the Governer & Council, relative to the arangement of the procedure of that Day.

[**272.**] A number of Jurymen drawn for the service of the Court of Common pleas &c.— which are entred & posted in the Jury Books.

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to inspect the Laws relative to Scavingers & to Report thereon.

Mr. Walley appointed to give directions as to such alterations or additions to the Forms of Mr. Hunts School, as may be necessary for the accommodation of Writers.

On the application of Mr. Edward Curtis to have the approbation of the Selectmen for erecting a Slaughter House on the Neck —

Voted, that Mr. Edward Curtis have the approbation he aplies for, provided, that the Slaughter-house be not less than two hundred feet from the Highway, & on condition that in case it should prove disagreeable or offensive to the Neighbours or Inhabitants passing there, that on notice thereof from the Selectmen, he shall remove or discontinue the same.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22d. [1791] Present Messrs: Sever, Cabot, Bulfinch, Boardman, Price, Walley, Little,

"Agreed, to Visit Deer Island, on Wednesday next to proceed from the Hall precisely at 8. OClock A.M.

Capt. Laughton having applied to the Selectmen for the use of Faneuil Hall previous to the 4t of July next, as his Company is to do the honors of that Anniversary — Liberty is granted, provided the greatest care is taken that the Hall should not be injured by the Lamps they may make use of, or in any other way.

The Committee to wait on the Commc of the old Brick Reported that they had liberty to attend [**273.**] at said building on the 4t. of July next — and that they had also waited on the Governor, and acquainted him that they should accompany him & his Council on that day.

Upon application of a number of Inhabitants of the dangerous situation of the House at the Corner of Merchants Row — Mr. Walley Mr. Little & Mr. Bulfinch appointed a Committee to apply to Mr. Newell the present Owner of said House acquainting him that he must leave the House immediately, or expect its being presented to the Grand Jury as a dangerous Nusance.

The aforegoing Committee Reported, that they had acquainted Mr. Newell as directed, who thereupon assured the Selectmen that said House should be evacuated by the first Week in July next.

Mr. Little & Mr. Boardman a Committee to view the North Clock to see what expence will be necessary, & if not exceeding twenty pounds to cause the same to be made.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27t. [1791.] — Present Messrs. Price, Sever, Edwards, Cabot, Walley, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon Accompts.

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread, be set at Wheat at 5/6. p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb	oz	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	14	4
a 4d. Loaf of ditto, must weigh	1	12	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1	10	8
Biskets of two Copper price must weigh	—	9	8
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal — do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread, not above half Indian Meal, must weigh - - - - - - - - -	3	0	0

[274.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting the 4t. of July next 9. o: Clock A: M: in commemoration of the day on which *Independence* [was declared] Anno 1776 — (Memo. The Notifications are not to be printed.)

The Draught for this Month examined by the Selectmen — and the Town Clerk directed to hand the same to the Town Treasurer.

Mr. Cabot appointed to make enquiry relative to Mr. Rangers Account.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1t. [1791.] Present Messrs: Cabot, Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Bulfinch, Edwards, Crafts, Little,

Last Wednesday the Selectmen accompanied by a number of Gentlemen Visited Deer Island, had an agreable time, and found the Island in a good state.

Agreed with the School Committee to have a Visitation of the public Schools on Fryday next being the 8 Inst.

Mr. Vily is engaged to prepare a Dinner at Faneuil Hall on said Day, to be on the Table at 3. O.'Clock.

The Town Clerk is to send Billets to the Gentlemen to be invited agreable to the List given him by the Selectmen.

Voted, that Mr. Tukesbury have leave at the expence of the Town to put two braces of ranging Timber across the inside of the South End of the Barn for securing the same from wrocking — that he be permitted to shingle the top & the South part of the Roof of the House at the expence of the Town, the Shingles to be inspected by some Person appointed by the Selectmen before they are sent to the Island.

[275.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 6t.

[1791.] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch,

Mr. Walley a Committee to procure the Resolves of the General Court, that are wanting to the present Day and to get the loose numbers bound in Volumes.

The Selectmen having received a Warrant from the Court of Sessions, relative to a County Register the Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the choice of a County Register on Wednesday the 13t. Inst. 10. o Clock — A: M:

Mr. Samuel Hall to have the printing of the Notifications.

Mr. Walley Mr. Edwards & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to confer with the Constables of the Town or any other Persons they may Judge suitable, to know on what terms they would perform the Duty of Scavingers and to Report.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13t. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Cabbot, Crafts,

Passed upon the List of Licensed Persons for the last Year, and a return made thereon to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, as the Law directs — which was sent to Mr. Price by Mr. Nazro.

The Selectmen taking into consideration the Reports relative to a contageous & mortal distemper which is prevalent in Ireland, — Voted, that they would wait on his Excellency, next Fryday 11. o Clock acquainting him with the same, in order for such measures being taken to prevent a communication of the Distemper as he may Judge proper — provided that after enquiry into this Report, it should appear that said Reports are well founded.

[**276.**] Voted, that the Commee. to provide Blinds for Mr. Ticknor & the Center School, are directed if they shall Judge necessary to procure Blinds for Mr. Vinals School agreeable to his request.

Mr. Nazro has been directed to warn a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday after Commencement 4. o Clock. P: M.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 22d. [1791.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Cabbot, Crafts,

Did not make a Board.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25. 1791 Present Messrs: Edwards Crafts, Price, Little, Cabbot, Boardman,

Passed upon Accounts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt

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a 4d. Loaf of ditto must weigh - - - - - - - - -	1	12	8
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Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - -	—	9	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. -	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Ditto not above ½ Indian — do. - - -	3	0	0

Mr. Fosters Bondsmen as Weigher of Hay the present Year, being the same as for the last are approved of by the Selectmen — except Mr. Samuel Wait the Son of the deceased is admitted a Bondsman.

Mr. Bayley a Collector of Taxes for 1789 — having produced the several Treasurers Receipts for the payment of what was committed to him to Collect for said Year — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver him the Bonds for said Year.

[277.] Mr. Joseph Billings appointed a Watchman for Town House Watch in the room of Mr. Wendell whose health is such as will not admit his doing the duty of a Watchman.

Mr. Edwards appointed one of the Committee on Battery March, in the room of Mr. Sever who is confined — and the Committee are desired to Report Wednesday next.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28. 1791 Present Mess: Crafts, Edwards, Little, Walley, Cabbot,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Capt. Brown of Engine No. 1. proposes Samuel Bell, Benjamin James, Richard Holden, as Engine Men — in the room of Will. Dyer, Elijah Swift & Zachariah Hall, who have resigned.

Capt. Ranger of Engine No. proposes Moses Ward & Mr. James Campbell as Engine Men in the room of Mr. Morce & Mr. Bulfinch.

Voted, that Mr. Harmon Brimmer have liberty to stop up the High Way, from Vernons Corner to Butters Row while the Buildings at the Corner are taken down as it will be dangerous to Passengers that way.

Town Clerk directed to hand in this Months draft, to the Treasurer the same having been examined by the Selectmen and found to be right.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 3. 1791 Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Cabbot, Crafts, Walley, Little, Price,

A new Precept received for choice of a County Register.

[278.] The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrt. for said purpose, on Wednesday the 10 Inst. 11. o Clock A: M:

Messrs: Edes to have the printing of the Notifications.

It is agreed by the Selectmen, that the Inspectors of the Police be directed to provide Carts at the Expence of the Town for removing the filth & dirt of the Streets on Saturday next, and that they inform the Inhabitants by the Town Cryer, on the Day preceding, that it is expected they have the same swept up in heaps before their respective Houses by 8. o: Clock on said Morning.

gave Mr. Price

Mr. Tileston is permitted that the House for Engine No. 11. be inlarged about six feet, that there be room for taking the Engine to pieces in said Building when necessary, he taking care to have the same done in the best & most frugal manner, which he accepted to do.

Mr. Edwards appointed for the purpose Reported, that he had

agreed with the Comm^{ee}. of the 2^{d}. Baptist Church to allow them eight Dollars p Year as Rent for the Ground on which Engine House N°. 2. now stands.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 10^{t}. [1791.] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Cabbot, Crafts, Price,

D^{r}. Townsend Inspector of ashes applies for the hire of the Granary House so called, as a suitable place for his business to be carried on.

M^{r}. Walley Boardman & Little a Comm^{ee}. to view said House, taking with them a Carpenter and Mason to make examination — and to Report the State of the House to the Board.

Jurors for August Court chosen, drawn and entered.

[**279.**] It is agreed upon the application of Col^{o}. Dawes & others for the paving Cow Lane, that Sixty pounds shall be allowed for that purpose — the said pavement computed at 1320 Yards, provided the same be done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, — Col^{o}. Dawes & others paying all other expence which the said Pavement may amount to.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^{t}. [17] 1791 Present Messrs: Walley, Cabbot, Edwards, Boardman, Little,

M^{r}. John Marston applies to the Selectmen for their approbation as an Auchtioneer.

A Meeting warned for the above purpose to meet at 6. o Clock in the Evening.

M^{r}. John Marston approved of as an Auchtioneer for the term of one Year from this date — and a Certificate given him accordingly.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 20, 1791 Present Messrs: Edwards, Price, Walley, Crafts, Cabbot,

It is agreed to have a Visitation of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island on Wednesday next ½ past 7 o Clock, being the 24^{t}. Ins^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 22^{d}, 1791 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Cabbot, Little Crafts,

Information having been given the Selectmen, that the Schooner Cohasset Capt. Rummer, from Oporto, had been visited with the Small Pox — D^{r}. Spooner was requested to go on board said Vessell, & Report to the Board, after examination — the Doctor accordingly Reported, that those that had the Small Pox, together with the Schooner &^{c}. had been so well washed smoked &^{c}. as in his Opinion to be incapable of communicating that disease.

[**280.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Augt. 29^{t}, [1791.] Present Messrs: Cabbot, Price, Little, Walley, Edwards,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at / p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}.

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a 2d. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	14	4
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Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	9	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Ditto not above ½ Indian Meal do. -	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts.

Mr. Henchman appointed to prevent firing at the bottom of the Common and on the Neck — see an Advertisement on file.

Mr. Clark having in behalf of the Antient & Honble. Artillery Company applied for the use of Faneuil Hall, in order to exercise said Compy. Liberty is granted for that purpose.

Mr. Nazro applies for the Premium allowed for bringing their Engine No. 6. to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Raymonds House West Boston — which is allowed & will be included in this Months draft.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 31st. [1791.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Cabbot, Walley, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little.

Passed upon other Accounts.

Mr. Cook applies to have a Child put into the Almshouse, a Mr. Parsons who lived with Dilloway, introduced it.

Mr. Thompson Collector of Taxes for 1789, having produced the several Treasurers Receipts for [**281.**] the payment, of what was committed to him for said Year — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver him the Bonds then given, for said Year.

Mr. William White having applied to the Selectmen for their approbation of his opening a private School in State Street, lately improved by Mr. Bishop, for the instruction of Youth in Writing Arithmatick & English Grammar — & being well recommended he was approved accordingly.

Capt. Laha has Liberty to make some small repairs on his House on Rainsfords Island, it appearing to the Selectmen that such Repairs are necessary.

Passed upon Elizabeth Richardsons Account for the care of the Small Pox Hospital at West Boston amounting to £16.6.8 — she engaging not to apply hereafter to the Town for any such annual allowance for her care of said House and the supply of 5 Cord Wood, as had been formerly allowed by the Province & Commonwealth.

On application of the Independent Light Infantry Company, Liberty is granted for the use of Faneuil Hall either on Tuesday or Fryday Evenings, conditioned that they are to make good any damages that may arise from their exercising their Company on said Night or Nights.

Capt. Warner & Mr. Weaton attended, on the matter of dispute, how their Stalls are to be held when it was recommended, & determined that they hold the Stalls they respectively occupy untill the further Order of the Selectmen.

Mr. Walley appointed to wait upon Mr. Russell [**282.**] and

know of him whether Mr. Jones has paid his first Quarters Rent for the hire of the Market, agreeable to his contract, & if he has not the Treasurer to wait on the Selectmen for their directions.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 7 [1791.] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Bulfinch, Sever, Crafts, Cabbot,

A Commee. from the Assessors enformed the Selectmen that the Tax Books, were now ready to be delivered.

Mr. Nazro directed, to request the attendance of the Collectors, in order to propose their Bondsmen.

Mr. Caleb Blanchard one of the Collectors for the present Year attended & proposed, Edward Blanchard, Truckman Joshua Blanchard Merct. Samuel Grenough Merct. — as his Bondsmen for the faithful discharge of his trust.

Mr. Treasurer Russell made a return of the State of the Town Treasurer, for the Month of August, as on file.

Memo. the Key of the Granary, was delivered by the Proprietors of the Duck Manufactory, the 27. of August last — to the Selectmen.

Mr. Mahony (an Insane Person) being removed from the Work House to the Pest House at West Boston, it was agreed that Mr. Whitwell be requested to furnish the Necessaries for him and a Nurse, untill the further directions of the Selectmen.

The Committee relative to the Granary, are authorized to make such Repairs as they shall Judge necessary, and to let the same to Dr. Townsend for the term of six months, at the sum they shall think best.

On the application of Mr. Benjamin Dearborn for their approbation of his opening a School in this Town for instructing Youth of both Sexes in the various branches of a polite & useful education — Liberty is [283.] granted him for said purpose.

Voted, that Mr. Cabbot & Mr. Bulfinch be a Committee to make enquiry into the Repairs necessary to be made at Beacon Hill & the situation of the Fence erected near that place by Mr. Homer, & make Report on Wednesday next, what measures are necessary to be adopted thereon.

Monday next 5. oClock is assigned, to determine upon the Bondsmen, for the several Collectors.

Mr. Walley, Sever & Colo. Crafts appointed a Committee to make enquiry relative to the Repairs on the Neck,—

Mr. Nazro directed to warn the Selectmen to meet on Monday next 5. O'Clock P: M: and to request Mr. Bayley Mr. Henderson & Mr. Thompson to attend & propose their Bondsmen as Collectors.

On the application of a number of Free Negroes that one of their Colour may be permitted as an Undertaker at the Funerals of the Blacks, with permission to break ground in the several buryal places — It was the opinion of the Selectmen that the request could not be granted, as it would interfere with the present regulations & the duty of those Sextons, to whom are committed the care of the several burial Places,—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 12. 1791. Present Mess: Bulfinch, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Little, Price, Cabbot, Boardman, Crafts,

M^{r}. Bayley, Collector proposes his last Years Bondsmen for the present

M^{r}. Henderson — proposes the same —
M^{r}. Thompson — proposes the same
M^{r}. Blanchard, — see Septem^{r}. 7 —

All of whom are approved of by the Selectmen.

[**284.**] On application — Capt. Wollox, has liberty, for improving Faneuil Hall, for exercising his Company on such Evenings as would not interfere with the other Companys — provided they make good any damages they may occasion.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 14 [1791.] Present Mess: Boardman, Cabbot, Sever, Walley, Price, Little, Edwards, Crafts, Bulfinch,

The Bonds given by the Collectors of Taxes for the present Year, which have been approved of by the Selectmen — the Town Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Certificate to the Assessors, that the Tax Books may be delivered them.

Maj^{r}. Cabbot appointed to direct the necessary Repairs to the Street called Hanover Street.

The Comm^{ee}. relative to the Neck on the Report of Col^{o}. Amasa Davis, are requested to meet with the Proprietors, and give the necessary directions, with respect to runing the Water Courses.

Voted: that Messrs: Little Cabot & Crafts be & are authorized to Contract for paving the Street from Hoyts Corner to the head of Long Wharfe to be done in such a manner as shall be satisfactory to said Committee provided the Expense to the Town does not exceed the Sum of £100:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Select Men Sepr. 19. 1791.

Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts, Edwards, Cabot, Bulfinch, Boardman,

Capt. David Bradley is approved of as a Retailer of Spirituous Liquors at his House in State Street.

The Committee appointed to view the State of Beacon Hill & to see what repairs may be necessary Report,

That it would be expedient to have the Water Course or Gutter on the West side of the Hill cleared out, and a Gutter paved to convey the Water into the Gutter at the side of the Common — That the Wall on the North East side should be repaired & lengthened six feet; and the holes at the steps & other parts filled up.

[**285.**] The Committee recommend, that M^{r}. John Horner who has fenced in a piece of Land at the North West side of the Hill should give some acknowledgement that he holds that Land of the Town.

The above Report accepted, and the Committee are desired to carry the same into execution.

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21. 1791

Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Cabbot, Little, Crafts.

The following Persons were chosen Grand & Petit Jurors for District Court.

6 Grand Jurors
Mess: Caleb Hopkins
Caleb Hayden
William White
Josiah Snelling
Mungo Mackey
Samuel Gore

6 Petit Jurors
Messrs: Archibald McNeil
William Frobisher
Robert Ruggles
Josiah Vose
John Cutter
Russell Sturgis

The following Persons were chosen petit Jurors for the Common Pleas & Sessions.

9 —
Messrs: Timothy Goodwin
John Baxter
Charles Coffin
Ebenezer Barril
John Coats
Deacon Daniel Bates
John Kittle
David Poignard
Mark Richards

Mem^{o}. to be entered in Jury Book also — and the same has been entered.

The Cadet Company are permitted to make use of Faneuil Hall in exercising their Comp^{y}. on such Evenings as does not interfere with the other Companys — they to make good any damages they may occasion.

[**286.**] M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{ee}. to cause such Repairs to be made in Fish Street in the Pavement as they shall Judge Necessary.

The above Comm^{ee}. with Deacon Boardman to make the like Repairs in Centre Street.

Boston ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 26 [1791] Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Boardman, Cabbot, Edwards, Walley, Bulfinch,

Passed upon Accounts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at wheat at 6/p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pain & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto must weigh - - - - - - - -	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brick bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	8	8

	lb.	oz.	dr.
Biskets of 2 Copper Price must weigh - - - - -	0	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal -	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Ditto not above ½ Indian do. - - -	3	—	—

Capt. Nazro of Engine No. 6. proposes John Fessenden as an Engine Man in the room of James Ridgway who has left the Town.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept. 28 [1791.] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Bulfinch, Crafts, Cabbot, Price,

Passed upon other Accounts.

The Selectmen permit Mr. Lane & White to have a draft in part for paving Battery March £30 — in this Months Draught.

On application of the Clerks of the Market that they may have assistance in supporting a Suit commenced by them against Mr. Godfrey, Baker — Mr. Edwards was appointed by the Selectmen for said purpose.

[287.] On Application of a number of Persons of the Old South Church by their Petition relative to a Building Mr. Nyles is about erecting as it is said for a Stable in Milk Street — Mr. Price, Walley and Sever are a Committee to converse with said Petitioners and Mr. Nyles relative thereto.

The Town Clerk directed to hand in the Draught to the Town Treasurer, for this Month — the same having been examined by the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo. 5. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Cabbot, Edwards, Little,

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever on application of Mr. Simpson are appointed a Committee to view Frog Lane & Report what Repairs are necessary.

On application of Mr. Fairservice the above are a Committee to view Nassau Street & Report the State thereof.

Mr. Joseph Dana on his application therefor, is permitted to open a School in the Centre of the Town for the Instruction of Youth in the branches taught in the public Schools.

Mr. Cabot & Mr. Bulfinch appointed, a Committee to direct as to the Gravel that may be taken away from Middlecot & Temple Streets.

The Proprietors who are paving part of Street called Battery March are permitted to take off ten Lighter Load of paving Stones on the Point at Deer Island near the Gut.

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to provide Wood for Mr. Tileston & Mr. Cheneys School — the first 8 the last 6 Cord.

Mr. Crafts & Majr. Cabot, for Mr. Carter Bingham & Hunt — eight Cord each Hunt six Cord.

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever, for Mr. Vinal & Mr. Ticknor 8 Cord each.

[288.] Boston ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo. 12th [1791.] Present Messrs. Sever, Cabot, Price, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Bulfinch.

Capt. Bouve of Engine N°. 2. having resigned, the Company have made choice of William Darricot as Master, and being presented to the Selectmen for their approbation, — he was accordingly approved of to be Master of said Engine.

M^{r}. Price, M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to endeavor to ascertain the Towns Right to the Land adjacent to Olivers Dock.

M^{r}. Benjamin Jarvis, having applied for the use of two Lamps for the Assembly House, they are permitted to have them, provided they be returned when called for, or paid for in case of breakage.

Mess. Peter Vezie & Isaac Edes having been well recommended, are appointed Inspectors of Barreld Pork Beef & pickled Fish in this Town, & took the Oaths required by Law for the faithful discharge of their trust — which were administered by the Town Clerk.

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Committee on the Petition for paving or repairing part of Prince Street.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting to be called on Wednesday the 26^{t}. of October Ins^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 19^{t} [1791.]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Cabot, Bulfinch, Walley, Little, Crafts,

Capt. Whittemore of Engine N°. 4. being dead. the Company have made choice of M^{r}. John Gammill in his room, & having presented him to the Selectmen for their approbation — and he is accordingly approved.

[**289.**] The Committee to agree with D^{r}. Townsend for the Granary — Report That they had let the same to him for Six Months from 1^{t}. Octo^{r}. 1791 at the rate of thirty pounds p Annum:

M^{r}. Fulsom to have the printing of the Notifications.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 20^{t} [1791.]
Present Messrs: Edwards, Crafts,

This Meeting was called, on information of the arrival of a Vessell in this Harbour with the Small Pox.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 26. 1791
Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Cabot, Crafts.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 31. 1791
Present Messrs: Sever, Cabot, Bulfinch, Edwards, Little, Boardman, Crafts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at six Shillings p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as following — Viz^{t}.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. Ditto of white Bread, must weigh	1	10	8

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Coppers price, must weigh	—	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d°.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal — d°.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accompts.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 2d. 1791 Present Messrs: Edwards, Walley, Bulfinch, Sever, Price, Cabot, Crafts,

Passed upon other Accounts.

On application & proof Mr. Nazro of Engine N°. 6. is allowed the Premium allowed by the Town of £1 – 8 — for bringing [290.] their Engine to work first on the Fire which lately broke out at Mr. Jones's House Cold Lane.

Mr. William Marsters, Cooper, having been well recommended, is appointed Inspector of Barreld pickled Beef Pork & Fish in this Town — and an Oath was administred to him by the Town Clerk.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 9. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch,

Deacon Boardman appointed to order such Repairs to the Dock Watch house as he may Judge necessary.

On the Petition of a number of Inhabitants for amending Pembertons Hill — Majr. Cabot & Mr. Bulfinch are appointed to confer with the Abuttors — to make an estimate of the expence & what proportion the Abuttors will pay thereof — and to make Report thereof to the Board.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 16. 1791 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Cabot, Edwards, Bulfinch, Boardman, Crafts,

Mr. John Piemont approved as an Inholder for his House in State Street lately occupied by Capt. Taunt a Taverner.

Mr. Price & Crafts a Commee. relative to the Town Pump.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 23d. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Cabot, Boardman, Bulfinch, Crafts, Little,

4 Petit Jurors for district Court drawn & entred in Jury Books.

Mr. Cabot & Bulfinch a Committee to view the Pump at the Hospital at New Boston & what little Repairs on the roof & to the Pump are necessary to direct them.

[291.] Majr. Cabot appointed to examine the State Accompts of the Keeper of the Almshouse.

Mr. Sever appointed to direct some Repairs to the Stove at Master Ticknors School.

Selectmen have agreed to appoint a Meeting on Monday next at Col°. Colmans long Room, 5. o Clock, in order to concert measures respecting lighting Town, with the Subscribers to the Lamps.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. 28. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Sever, Edwards, Little, Crafts, Boardman, Cabot,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t}.

a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. ditto of white Bread must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. ditto of Brick Bread must weigh	1	8	8
Bisket of 2 Copper price, must weigh	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal — d^{o}.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accompts.

M^{r}. Edwards added to the Comm^{ee}. on the Neck, who are requested to see that the Submission entred into by the Selectmen & Proprietors of the Neck, & the Award in consequence thereof, be caryed into full effect & that the same Comm^{ee}. see it so authenticated as to be fully binding upon both Parties, and that they also obtain from the Proprietors a full grant & Quit Claim to the Inhabitants of the Town of sufficient Gutters or sluice ways through the Land to carry off the Water.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 30. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Cabot, Bulfinch, Crafts Little, Boardman,

[**292.**] John Melony appointed a sweeper of Chimnies in this Town, and had a badge delivered him N°. 16.

Passed upon other Accounts.

Sarah Barton approved of as a Taverner for the George Tavern on the Neck.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 6. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Cabot, Bulfinch, Crafts,

M^{r}. Price has the loan of one of the Town Lamps, to return the same when required, or to pay for the same if broken.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 7 [1791.] Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Price, Little, Cabot,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 12. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Little, Boardman, Crafts,

Information given the Selectmen by M^{r}. Miller that the Sloop Dove Abner Dunham Master from Philadelphia, which is now in the Harbour, has one Seaman on board broke out with the Small Pox, and another with the Symptome of the Distemper — whereupon D^{r}. Welch was requested to go on board & make examination of the Circumstances of the Vessel & People Clothing &^{c}. and to Report the same — the Captain being present, he was directed to send Isaac Smith who has the Distemper, Hunt who

has the Symptoms, & Benjamin a Boy liable to the Distemper, with all the Bedding Clothing & any thing liable to Infection to the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, to be under the care of Capt. Laha & the following Letter was sent him — Vizt.

Boston December 12t. 1791

Capt. Laha —

The Sloop Dove Capt. Dunham [**293.**] from Philadelphia now in the Harbour has one Seaman on board Just broke out with the Small Pox & two others on board liable to the Distemper the Capt. was directed to send said Persons with all their Clothing Bedding &c. to the Hospital, all to be under your care & you'l report concerning them as shall be necessary — the Selectmen has directed Dr. Welch to examine the Vessel & he will Report whether it will be necessary for the Sloop to be sent to your Island.

By Order of the Selectmen

William Cooper Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 13. 1791 Present Messrs: Price, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Cabot,

Dr. Welsh & Capt. Laha, having Reported, that the Sloop Dove has been so smoked & cleansed as that she may be permitted to come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants — Liberty was granted accordingly.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 14. 1791 A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Crafts.

At a Town Meeting called for the purpose, this Day there was ten Petit Jurors drawn for the Court of Common Pleas & Sessions for the County of Suffolk to serve on the 1st. Tuesday of January next & have been entred in the Jury Book accordingly.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 14. 1791 P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Boardman,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Decemr. 21. 1791 Present Messrs: Edwards, Cabot, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little.

Mr. Blagge, Mr. Carnes, & Dr. Spooner, have the loan of a Lamp each, of the Globe Lamps, in exchange for a Square one they to be at any extra expence that may be occasioned.

[**294.**] Mr. Joseph Nancriede applies for the use of Mr. Binghams School Room four Evenings in a Week, for teaching the French Tongue.

Mr. John Robinson having been chosen by the Company of Engine No. 3 as Master, in the room of his late Father Elias Robinson lately deceased and presented to the Selectmen for their approbation — he was accordingly approved as master of said Engine.

Fryday Afternoon 4. o Clock assigned for Meeting the Proprietors of the Neck, in 1300 feet of said Neck, in order to settle, relative to the Gutters &c. carrying off the Waste Water.

The Town Treasurer having informed the Selectmen, that he can assure them 1000 Dollars at the least from Subscribing Individuals towards lighting the Lamps & supplying the Materials therefor — The Opinion of the Selectmen was taken Viz^{t}. Whether on such assurance they could be warranted in proceeding to Contract therefor, agreeable to a Vote of the Town passed Novr. 9 present Year — the Question being accordingly put passed in the Affirmative — also

Voted, that a Committee be now chosen to place all the Town Lamps in the places as now arranged & to employ such Persons as they shall Judge necessary for erecting Posts, Listing the Lamp Irons, cleansing the Lamps, and having everything in readiness for lighting the Lamps.

M^{r}. Crafts, Cabot, Bulfinch, Little & Sever, are chosen as a Committee for said purpose.

[**295.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 23^{d} 1791. Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Boardman.

The Selectmen having received a Petition from a large number of the Inhabitants, for calling a Town Meeting relative to altering the present police of the Town.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warr^{t}. to be signed by the Selectmen for calling a Meeting on Fryday the 30^{t}. of Decem^{r}. Inst. 10. o Clock A: M: to take said Petition into consideration.

Ordered, that M^{r}. Powers have the Printing of the Notifications for said Meeting.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 26. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Cabot, Bulfinch,

Passed on sundry Accounts.

M^{r}. Walley, M^{r}. Cabot & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee to examine M^{r}. Meads Account &^{c}. with Proprietors of 1400 feet on each side the Neck.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 28. 1791 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Sever, Cabot, Crafts, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p Bushel and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^{t} —

A 2^{d}. loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - -	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian - -	3	0	0

[**296.**] M^{r}. Joseph Nancrede has liberty to occupy M^{r}. Binghams School House four Evenings in a Week for teaching the

French Language Mr. Bingham having no objection, — and this till further, order — Mr. Nancrede to make good any damage that may arise from this liberty.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 4. 1792 Present Mess: Price, Edwards, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little, Boardman,

The Committee to prepare the Lamps &c. appointed on the 21t. Ultimo, are further requested to purchase a sufficiency of Oil for lighting the Lamps for one month, to agree with Persons for lighting them, to contract with a Person to superintend the Lamps, for said term — & such other matters as may be necessary at the time the Selectmen shall direct their being lightened —

Peter Richardson approved as an Inholder for the House on Dock Square lately kept as a Tavern by the Silsbies.

John French approved as a Retailer at his Store in Orange Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 11. 1792 Present Mess: Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Bulfinch, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 25. 1792 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch, Edwards, Price, Little, Boardman,

Mr. Bulfinch appointed to examine the Books of the Keeper of the Alms house &c.

Mr. Little & Mr. Edwards appointed examine Chimnys of a House of Joseph Eustice on complaint of Joshua B. Sigourney as dangerous to the Neighbourhood.

[297.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 28t. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 30. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Boardman, Price, Crafts, Little,

Ordered that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat a 6/ p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt.

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a 2d. Loaf of White Bread must weigh	—	13	4
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a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh	—	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts.

Passed upon Mr. William Moors State Account amounting to £15 — 12 — as p Copy to be sent by Mr. Moor to be placed on file.

The Selectmen having this Day had the Lists of the Men belonging to the Eleven Fire Engines in this Town, laid before them for their approbation do approve of them accordingly, as p List on file of mixed Papers — and Mr. Nazro is directed to call upon the several Masters & inform them that by Law they are to choose their Masters in the Month of May Annually — and to lay before the Selectmen the Names of the Persons by them so chosen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 1. 1792 Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Sever, Price, Little

[298.] Passed upon other Accounts.

The Selectmen passed upon Sam: Curtis & Jesse Houghtons State Account amounting as p Copy on file to £12. 3. 4.

William Darricot Master of Engine No. 2. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for the late Fire at Mr. Jarvis's House — granted — and an Order given therefor in Jany. draft.

Garret Fitsgerold approved of as a Chimney Sweeper & had a badge No. 18 delivered him.

Mr. Crafts Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little appointed a Committee to present the Overseers Account and all other Accounts against the Commonwealth, to the General Courts Committee, and to attend to see the same compleated.

The Town Clerk is directed to publish an abstract of the Law relative to Signs, Post &c. interfering with the Lamps — in Adams & Russells Papers for three Weeks successively — also abstracts of the Law for Inhabitants to give notice of Strangers for 6 Weeks.

Passed upon four Accounts of Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse amounting to £479.. 3.. 5½. £43.. 4. 10½. £502.. 11/ & £39.. 6.. 11½ — .

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 8. 1792 — Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Little, Boardman,

Passed on Capt. Laha's State Account, amo. to £12.. 17.. 6½ as p Copy on file.

Capt. Laha Keeper of Rainsford Island having acquainted the Selectmen that the Pump upon which the People of the Hospital depend for Water has become rotten & defective — he is directed to procure another Pump upon the best terms he is able

Complaint having been made to us by a number of [299.] Inhabitants that the Chimnies of a House near Winnesimet Ferry occupied by Hemmingway are insufficient and dangerous — William Bell Esq. & Mr. Benjamin Richardson were desired to survey the same, and Report thereon as soon as may be — Mem. Warrant signed by Selectmen.

Boston Feby. 8. 1792

Sir

Upon complaint made to us that the Chimneys in a House you occupy is foul & dangerous to the Inhabitants when a Fire is made therein — and having upon inspection found said complaint to be Just; we signify the same to you, that no Fire may be made or kept in said Chimneys untill the same shall be sufficiently swept

as you would avoid the penalty of the Law in such case made and provided.

Ezekiel Price
William Boardman
Thomas Crafts
Thomas Edwards
William Little
} Selectmen of Boston

Mr. Dowell Occupier of a House of Mr. Eustis's near the North Mills.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Feby. 15. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Cabot, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little, Boardman,

Treasurer Russell having informed the Selectmen that he had settled with the Executors of the late Treasurer, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Sever one of the Bondsmen, desiring said Treasurers Bond may be given up to him — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver him Mr. Boyers Bond accordingly.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 21. 1792 Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Sever,

Information being given to the Selectmen, that Mrs. Ke. — see other side.

[**300.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 21. 1792

Information being given to the Selectmen that Mrs. Kennedy in Temple Street has the Small Pox, Dr. Welch was requested to visit her, which he did & Reported that the said Person had the Small Pox, but that she was in such a feeble state as to make her removal to the Hospital dangerous — The Selectmen thereupon Ordered that a Gard or Watchman be placed at the House of said Kennedy to prevent any Person coming from or going to said House — also that a red Flag be hung up at said House as a signal of the Distemper being in the House.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 22d. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Little,

Mr. Nazro directed to require the attendance of Mr. Henchman to attend next Monday Afternoon, with his Account of Monies received, as Cow Money

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 24. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Cabot, Bulfinch, Edwards, Price, Little,

Mr. Corruse in a House near the Pest House having as p information the Small Pox — direction was given for putting out a Flag, & placing a Guard.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 26. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Cabot, Little,

On application of a number of the Inhabitants that the Town

may be immediately called together to enable them to consult their safety by Inoculation — It was the opinion of the Selectmen, not to call a Town Meeting as it did not lay with the Town to grant the liberty prayed for until the number of Houses infected amounted to the number stated by Law.

Col°. Crafts, M^r^. Cabot & M^r^. Bulfinch a Comm^e^. to remove as many of the Persons near the Infected Houses as may be.

[**301.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 27. 1792 Present Messrs: Cabot, Crafts, Edwards, Boardman,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ — p Bushel, & that 12^d^. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pain & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t^.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^d^. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	13	4
a 4^d^. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	1	10	8
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh	—	8	13
a 4^d^. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d°.	2	8	0
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian d°.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts.

Passed upon D^r^. Welshs State Acco^t^. for attendance on the Sick at the Hospital West Boston, am°. to £ 7–1–10 as p Copy to be put on file.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 29^t^. 1792 Present Mess: Cabot, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch, Little, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts.

M^r^. Collector Henderson having produced Receits from the Town County & State Treasurers for the full of what had been committed to him to Collect for 1790. The Town Clerk is directed to give him up his Bonds for said Year

M^r^. Samuel Hastings appointed by the Selectmen an Inspector of Duck Sail Cloth & Twine for the Town of Boston manufactured in this Commonwealth — sent

M^r^. Jedidiah Parker appointed by the Selectmen an Inspector of Duck Sail Cloth & Twine manufactured in this Commonwealth.

M^r^. Hopestill Foster appointed a Collector of Cow Money for 1792.

Whereas the Town by their Vote passed Novr. 30 1785 Ordered the Town Treasurer to give his Negotiable Notes to David Jeffries Esq. late Treasurer of the Town for the Sum of £680. 8. 4 & y^é^. Selectmen gave a draft for £400 — Voted that the sum of £280–8. 4 be now drawn for [**302.**] in favor of the Administrator on s^d^. Jeffries Estate, being the balance now due agreable to said Vote — the Treasurer to make the deductions for the Orders given by M^r^. Jeffries & taken up since the said draught in his favor for £680–8–4

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 2d. 1792 Present Messrs: Cabot, Bulfinch, Little, Boardman, Walley, Crafts

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting 12t. March Inst. 10. O Clock A: M: for the choice of Town Officers &c

Mr. Boardman & Mr. Bulfinch a Commee. to wait upon Revd. Mr. Eckley — and request his opening the Town Meeting with Prayer.

Mr. Coverly — to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 3d. 1792 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Cabot, Bulfinch, Price, Crafts,

Passed upon the draught after examination & the Town Clerk is directed to hand the same into the Town Treasurer.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7 [1792.] A: M: Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Cabot, Bulfinch, Little,

Extra Jurors drawn & entred in Jury Books

Dr. Welch having informed the Selectmen, that Mrs. Smith & her two Children who have had the Small Pox at the Hospital are free from Infection & have been so cleansed, as that they may be permitted to go abroad with safety to the Inhabitants — Mr. Richardson was directed to discharge said Persons from said Hospital — Childrens Names Samuel, & John,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7 [1792.] P: M: Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Cabot, Walley, Bulfinch, Price, Little,

[**303.**] Mr. Herron the Sexton of West Boston Meeting has liberty to ring that Bell at the hours of 11 — 1 & 9. O.Clock.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 14 [1792.] — Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Cabot, Edwards,

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to view the Partition Fence between Mr. Brewster's & the Burying Ground.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 21 [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch,

Adjourned to to Morrow 11. O Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 22d. [1792.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch, Price, Walley, Sever, Little,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 2d. of April next being the Day assigned by the Constitution for the choice of Governor &c:

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to wait on Red. Mr. Freeman, & request his opening the Meeting with Prayer.

Messrs: Fleets to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 26. 1792 Present Messrs Price, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little,

Dr. Welch having Certified on the 8 Inst. the Selectmen that the Family of Mrs Call & the People in the same house are free from the Infection of the Small Pox — the Guard was discharged.

The said Physician having also certified that Capt. Gorhams Schooner from Martineco & People are free from infection — the Vessel is permitted to come up to the Wharff.

[**304.**] Dr. Welch having Certified on the 18. Inst. that the Ship Fortitude from Liverpool, the People & all on board have been duly cleansed & smoked & are free from infection — the Vessel is permitted to come up to the Wharfe.

Dr. Welch having Certified on the 16. Inst. that the Hospital and Mrs. Kennedys House were free from Infection — the Guards were dismissed.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p bushel, and that 12d. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their charges pains & livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

a 2d. loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	—	13	4
a 4d. loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	1	10	8
a 4d. loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - -	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - -	—	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal. do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian -	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28t. [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Colo. Crafts & Capt. Scollay a Commte. to enquire what regulations is necessary relative to Burying Ground

Mr. Sever & Mr. Scollay, to let Fosters Pasture & Bull Pasture & to direct the necessary repairs

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 4. 1792 Present Mess: Price, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Edwards,

Capt. Loveriegn of Engine No. 8. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the Fire near So. School House.

He is to have a draft for the above Premium next draft Day.

[**305.**] On the application of Capt. Laha Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island — he was directed to get the Boat repaired, for the service of the Hospital

William Lampson Cooper, being recommended was appointed an Inspector of Pickled barreld Beef, Pork & Fish.

Deacon Boardman, Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever, a Committee to wait on the Proprietors of the Chamber of the South Reading School & request of them that agreable to their original Agreement. they do not let the said Chamber to any Person or Persons for any purpose whatever without the consent of the Selectmen. And in case the said Proprietors will not comply with said request, to demand the Key thereof in the name of the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 11. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Bulfinch, Walley, Crafts, Scollay, Little,

M^{r}. Price, M^{r}. Walley, M^{r}. Bulfinch Col^{o}. Crafts & D^{r}. Scollay a Committee to view Pembertons Hill & Report the Expence necessary to make it more passable.

M^{r}. Nazro directed to Notify all that hold Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market to attend at Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday.

given him

M^{r}. Boardman & Col^{o}. Little a Committee to view the North Clock and Report relative to Repairs &^{c}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 18^{t} [1792.] Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Price, Sever, Little, Crafts, Scollay,

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Boardman a Committee to view the Drain lately opened near Cross Street & Report the State thereof.

M^{r}. Edmunds has the direction of the Selectmen to ring D^{r}. Lathrops Bell at 5. O.'Clock in the Morning untill further Orders

[**306.**] The Butchers attended and were enformed that the Tanners of this Town had applied, that they might have the preference in the purchase of the Hydes of the Cattle brought into Faneuil Hall Market for Sale, as had been heretofore the custom — whereupon the Butchers who hold said Stalls, acquainted the Selectmen, that they had not been applied to for Hydes by the Tanners — that they were ready to confer with them on the subject & would then acquaint the Selectmen with the result of said conference.

Major Scollay added to the Committee relative to paveing the bottom of State Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25 [1792.] Present Messrs: Bulfinch, Sever, Boardman, Walley Crafts, Scollay,

M^{r}. Sever & M^{r}. Bulfinch & M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to view Pleasant street & Report relative to Incroachments.

M^{r}. Crafts & M^{r}. Bulfinch a Committee to advertize proposals for erecting new Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market, agreable to a Vote of the Town.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30^{t}. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Boardman, Little, Scollay, Walley,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat 6/ p bushel, and that 12^{d}. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz.

a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - -	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - -	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - -	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - -	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	0	0

Passed upon Accounts

[**307.**] Mr. Collector Bayley having produced Receipts from the State Town & County Collectors that he has paid in the Sums committed to him to Collect for the Year 1790 — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bonds for said Year as requested.

Mr. Boardman & Mr. Edwards a Committee to view the Watch House at North End.

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for Meeting the 8t. of May next for choice of Representatives.

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Edwards a Committee to wait on the Revd. Mr. Baldwin & ask his opening the ensuing Town Meeting with prayer.

Mr. Holt to have the printing of the Notifications.

Mr. Thomas Uran appointed to take a List of the Cows which are kept in this Town, and to receive the Sums set upon each Cow for the Year 1792.

The Selectmen Agree that the Owners of each Cow, shall pay Annually four Shillings p Cow to the Collector appointed by the Selectmen, except such Persons as may keep up their Cows, which shall be only two Shillings, the produce of which to be applied for the purchase and keeping of the Town Bulls and other charges — The Collector to have a Copy of the above — an abstract of the Laws &c. to be published in the Centinel & Thursdays Papers.

Mr. Edwards and Colo. Crafts a Committee to acquaint Mr. Joseph Blake that the Selectmen have chosen him to pronounce the Oration on the 4t. of July next, in commemoration of the Independence of the United States then declared.

[**308.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 2d [1792.] Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Bulfinch, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Little, Price,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Capt. Laha having Reported to the Selectmen, that the Schooner Industry Elkanah Cook Commander, from Alexandria stoped at Rainsford Island, on account of the Small Pox, has together with the Cargo Bedding & Clothes been so smoked & cleansed, as that they may come up without danger of conveying the Small Pox to any one — the Town Clerk was directed to give a Permit for said Vessels leaving the Island when the Capt. thought proper — he being first satisfied as to the charges that have arisen.

Mr. Ebenezer Herring has liberty to build a Tomb in the Burial Ground near the Granary provided it does not interfere with any other Tomb or Grave; to be for the use of him his Heirs & Assigns. given

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever a Committee to view West Street, & Report respecting paving the same.

The Draught on Town Treasurer for last Month having been examined by the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 9. 1792 Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Bulfinch, Little, Scollay,

Edmund Ranger of Engine N°. 7. to have a draught for a premium allowed him & Comp^y^. for bringing their Engine to work first on the late Fire at M^r^. Davis S°. End.

Col°. Crafts M^r^. Bulfinch & M^r^. Scollay a Committee to procure a plan of the Land & Streets at West Boston South of Cambridge Street, & to cause said Streets to be staked out.

Pursuant to a Law of this Commonwealth [**309.**] The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston qualified according to the Constitution upon due warning given met together the 8^t^. Day of May 1792, and then Voted to elect seven Persons to Represent them in the General Court the Year ensuing — the Inhabitants accordingly brought in their Votes, each List not exceeding seven Persons & upon counting and sorting the same it appeared that the whole number of Votes were three hundred & twenty three — that D^r^. William Eustis Esq. had three hundred & seven, John Coffin Jones Esq. three hundred & six — Charles Jarvis Esq. 297 — Jonathan Mason Esq. 281 — Honble. Thomas Dawes Esq 238 — Honble. Benjamin Austin Junr. Esq 216 — Samuel Breck Esq 191 — and William Tudor Esq. 184, each of said Persons having a major part of the Votes of the Electors present at the said Meeting. Under this state of facts, the Selectmen make the return on the other side.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 16. 1792 Present Messrs: Price Boardman, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

M^r^. Houghton Sexton of the old South Church attended, as required — and being questioned as to some Trees which had been put down in the Common Burial Ground, it appeared that it had been done without the Orders of the Selectmen — he was ordered to take away the said Trees as soon as may be,

Col°. Crafts & M^r^. Edwards, a Committee to draw up & Report such regulations for the directions of the Clerk of the Market & the good Government of the same, as they may Judge necessary.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 18. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Bulfinch, Scollay,

The Selectmen as authorised by a Vote of the Town on [**310.**] the 11^t^. Inst^t^. — made choice by Ballot of M^r^. William Gooch as Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market, he to be under Bonds for the faithful discharge of said trust the penalty four hundred pounds — conditioned as in said Bonds.

The Selectmen as authorised by a Vote of the Town on the 11^t^. Inst^t^. met, and made choice by Ballot of M^r^. Foster as Hay weigher the present Year he to be under Bonds for the faithful discharge of his duty, the penalty £400 — and conditioned as in said Bonds.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23^d^ [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Bulfinch, Scollay, Edwards,

The following Persons were chosen Petit Jurors for a District the 1st. Tuesday of June next — Viz^t^. —

Messrs. James Lamb,
Allen Crocker
Israel Loring
Samuel Thwing
David Tilden

and there names entred on the Jury Book.

M^{r}. Sever and M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to call upon Eben^{r}. Hancock Esq. Keeper of the Powder House and request to know the quantity of the Powder in said Magazine & else where, under his care.

M^{r}. Ephraim Hutchinson appointed Searcher & Packer of Barreld Beef, Pork pickled Fish, for this Town, he being well recommended & the Oath of Office was administred to him by the Town Clerk.

M^{r}. Sever desired to give Orders for such repairs of the Sides of the Neck as may be necessary.

M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Scollay a Comm^{e} to wait on the Governor & acquaint him with the State of the Powder House.

[**311.**] Voted, that M^{r}. William Saxton be informed that it is expected, that he immediately have the Pavements repaired which were broke up by him last Fall by his opening his Drain or the Selectmen will commence an immediate prosecution against him. sent

Col^{o}. Crafts, M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Little a Comm^{ee}. to procure an Estimate of the expence of paving the lower part of State Street from Hoyts Corner downwards.

M^{r}. Scollay has liberty to open a drain into the Common Shore running through Water Street, from a House of his in said Street.

M^{r}. George Clark appointed a Funeral Undertaker in the room of M^{r}. Curtis the late Sexton of D^{r}. Thatchers Church. sent

Voted unanimously, that the present Officers of Police are discharged from any further services, from the present Day — sent

M^{r}. Patt Connor has leased to him the Pasture belonging to the Town lately bought of M^{r}. Foster for Nine pounds, untill the last of December next — the above was let to Abraham Adams June 20, 1792 & return made to the Town Treasurer.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 28. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch,

Passed upon Accounts.

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/ p bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & livelihood, which is commuted as follows Viz^{t} —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	13	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	10	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	8	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above half Indian d^{o}.	3	0	0

[**312.**] Mr. Moses Bradley applys for the Office of Inspector of the Police.

On application of the Historical Society for the use of the Room at the West End of Faneuil Hall to deposit Books & Papers therein.

Voted that the Historical Society may make use of said Room according to their request.

Mr. Scollay appointed to examine the Acct of Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Alms house so far as relates to the State Poor.

A renewing of the Bounds or Land marks between Boston & Roxbury, agreed upon unanimously at a full Board.

Voted, that the Selectmen in behalf of the Town will allow One hundred and fifty pounds towards the paving State Street, from the lower Corner of Colo. Colmans Tavern to the head of the long Wharff, on condition that sufficient Additional Monies be raised by Subscription to compleat the Street and the Foot paths from side to side to the approbation of the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen June 2d [1792.] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Seaver, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

The Town Clerk is directed to draw a Warrant for a Meeting of the Inhabitants on for the choice of two Representatives in the room of Colo. Dawes & Mr. Austin who are elected to a Seat in the Honble Senate — agreably to a Precept received from Mr. Speaker of the House, — if they shall see fit.

Messrs: Edes & Son to have the printing of the Notifications.

[**313.**] Boston May 10. 1792. I promise to pay the Town Treasurer of Boston Nine pounds for the use of the Pasture belonging to said Town lately bought of Mr. William Foster, untill the last of December next.

Patt Conner

Att. Ebenr. Sever

Mr. Thomas Uran — & Capt. John Ballard applies for the Office of Inspector of the Police.

Passed upon Mr. Samuel Whitwells State Acct. amounting to £587. 0 – 11 – & £42.12 - 10. as p Copies on file.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 6. 1792 Present Messrs: ——

Mr. William Lampson, who had been formerly recommended, again applies for the appointment of a packer & Inspector of pickled Pork, Beef & Barreld Fish — Memo. he was appointed April 4.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Edwards, Bulfinch, Scollay, Little,

Information having been given that a Child of Mr. Coolidges in his House at New Boston was broke out with the Small Pox — Mr. Coolidge attended, & expressed a willingness that the Child should be removed, provided he can be accommodated at the Hos-

pital at West Boston or at Brookline Hospital — that he would make immediate inquiry & then acquaint the Selectmen.

Mr. Little & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to examine into the situation of the Hospital at West Boston & to make such Repairs to the House as they shall Judge proper.

Adjourned to 4. o: Clock P: M:

The above was reconsidered, & the Selectmen do not meet.

[**314.**] Boston ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11 —1792 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

The Town Clerk is directed to have inserted in all the News Papers, extract from a Law relative to Small Pox,

Boston ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 13 [1792.] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay,

Edmond Ranger of Engine No. 7 — applies for the Premium allowed for bringing his Engine to play first on the late Fire at Mr. Eckleey.

Mr. Little & Mr. Edwards a Commee: on the Petition of Capt. Merry, to make enquiry into the matters represented — and report their opinion thereon.

Agreed to have a Visitation of the public Schools on Fryday the 6th. Day of July next.

is engaged to prepare a Dinner at Faneuil Hall on said Day to be on the Table at Clock.

The Town Clerk is to send Billets to the Gentlemen to be invited agreeable to the List given him by the Selectmen.

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever a Committee to cause a Drain to be laid from Mr. Dolls House on the Neck.

William Foot appointed an Inspector of Barreld pickled Fish Pork & Beef in this Town, and took the Oath of Office which was administred to him by the Town Clerk.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 20th [1792.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Bulfinch, Little, Walley, Crafts,

Ten petit Jurors for Court of Common Pleas &c. drawn and entered in Jury Books.

[**315.**] Mr. Russel Sturgis & others, on application have liberty to stop up the passages through Butlers Row in order for their paveing the same at their own charge. sent

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Little & Mr. Bulfinch appointed to superintend in behalf of the Selectmen the paving the lower part of State Street. given

Agreed to meet on Fryday 5. O'Clock P:M: for the special business of considering what relates to the Office of police; & the erecting Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market. gave Mr. Nazro

The following Persons apply for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers for the Town of Boston Vizt

Messrs: Russell & Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Joshua Eaton

Thomas Kilbey Jones
Robert Mollineux
James Eaton.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22d. 1792 Present Messrs: Boardman, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon two Accompts of Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse amounting to £548–13–4 & £42–11–10 — as p Copies to be sent in & placed on the files

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25 [1792.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Bulfinch, Edwards, Price,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows Vizt

	lb.	oz.	dr.
A 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	14	4
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Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	9	8
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do.	3	0	0

[**316.**] Passed upon Accounts.

Passed upon Dr. Welches State Account amounting as p a Copy to be sent in & placed upon the Files amounts to £53 — 3 — 3d —

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Scollay a Committee for the Repairs of the Old Brick Clock, & if thought irreparable to enquire the Expence of a new one & Report to the Board.

Mr. Sever, Scollay & Mr. Bulfinch a Commee to view Nassau Street & Report the Expence of paving the same

Mr. Boardman & Mr. Price a Commee. to estimate & Report the expence of repairing Union Street.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27t [1792.] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Walley a Committee to confer with the Abuttors relative to Land abutting on the Dock

Colo. Crafts appointed to confer with Mr. Winthrop relative to the Town Engine No. 5 under his care as a Fire Ward, & to cause the same, to have a thorough & compleat repair.

Caleb Ray & William Foster apply to be appointed Searchers & Packers of Barreld pickled Pork Beef & Fish in this Town — see their recommendation on file.

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Scollay to confer with Dr Welch relative to two Idiots & a Girl in the Hospital by the name of Dazorll.

Mr. Joseph Basset applies for a Sealer of Barreld Pork Fish &c

[**317.**] This being a Meeting appointed for the appointmt. of Auchtioneers — The following Persons as noted for applying

June 20 for the approbation of the Selectmen as Auchtioneers, were accordingly approbated — Viz

Messrs: Russell & Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas K. Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Molineux
James Eaton

all Inhabitants of this Town & the Town Clerk is directed to prepare Certificates of the tenor of the last Year to be signed by the Selectmen *for the* term of one Year from the 5. of May last.

The Town Clerk is Ordered, to issue a Warr^{t}. for a Town Meeting on the 4^{t}. of July next 9. O'.Clock A: M: in commemoration of the Day of the Declaration of INDEPENDANCE — being the 4^{t}. July A.D: 1776.

— Mem^{o}. there is to be no printed Notifications.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 11. [1792.] Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Bulfinch, Edwards, Little,

Charles Williams a late Collector having produced Receipts in full from the several Treasurers that he had paid them for the Years 1788 & 1789 — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bonds for said Years.

The Fire Wards of the Town, by their Committee Caleb Davis & Thomas Melville Esq^{rs}. apply for a new Engine.

M^{r}. Bulfinch, Little & M^{r}. Sever a Comm^{ee}. to contract with some suitable Person or Persons for building one as soon as may be — the state & condition of some of the old Engines making it necessary for the better security of the Town in case of Fires.

[**318.**] It is agreed by the Selectmen to have but one Person chosen as an Inspector of the Police and that said Officer be allowed & paid at the rate of twenty five pounds p Quarter.

Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Edwards, a Committee to inspect the By-Laws & draw up proper Instructions for the Office of the Police.

Voted, that Thomas Edwards Esq be an Attorney for the Town the Year ensuing to whom the Officer of Police is to apply for advice & assistance & the said Attorney is hereby authorized & empowered to commence & prosecute to final issue all breaches of the By Laws of the Town; and any other Officers of the Town are empowered to apply to him for necessary advice in the execution of their several trusts — the said Attorney to be allowed a reasonable compensation.

Col^{o}. Crafts, M^{r}. Walley M^{r}. Bulfinch M^{r}. Scollay & M^{r}. Little a Comm^{ee}. to purchase Lumber & to contract with Workmen for erecting Stalls in Faneuil Hall Square agreable to a Vote of the Town.

On application Edmund Ranger of Engine N^{o}. — is allowed two premiums for bringing the Engine to work first at the Fires which lately broke out at M^{r}. Eckleys & M^{r}. Sellons Houses.

[July 18th] Commencement.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25t. [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

On the application of the Mill Proprietors Colo. Crafts Deacon Boardman, Edwards & Little, a Commee: to enquire into the Repairs of the Bridges over the Mill Creek, & in any other matters relative to the Proprietors of the Mill Pond; also the right of Titles to high Way near the Mills.

[**319.**] Agreed to Visit Deer Island on Tuesday next — to proceed from Faneuil Hall precisely at 8 — o Clock A: M:

Mr. Collector Thompson to have his Bonds delivd. him for 1790.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30. 1792 Present Mess . Scollay, Price, Crafts, Sever, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
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a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - -	1	12	8
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Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - -	0	9	8
a 4d Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do	2	8	0
a 4d. Loaf of Ditto not above ½ Indian — do - -	3	0	0

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 31 [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Little, Scollay, Edwards,

This Day the Selectmen accompanied by a number of Gentlemen Visited Deer Island, had a very agreable time, and found the Island in a good state — Stakes drove into the Ground 10 feet from the Margin of the Hill, in order to observe the decay of the Island.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 1, 1792. Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay, Crafts,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Messrs: Boardman, Bulfinch & Scollay a Commee. to view Seperate Lane & Report what Pavement is wanting

Messrs: Price Crafts & Scollay, a Commee. on the application of Mr. Eliot to view Town Pump, on the Dock near his Shop

Mr: Sever Bulfinch & Scollay a Commee. on the application of Mr. Read to take Manure out of the Hose Pond [**320.**] in the Common — after viewing the same — to Report

The Selectmen have agreed to Visit Rainsfords Island, Wednesday fortnight

Boston ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt 3rd 1792 Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Crafts, Little, Edwards,

M^r^. Richardson directed to receive a Daughter of M^rs^. Pratt into the Hospital, she being broke out with the Small Pox.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 8^t^. [1792.] Present Messrs. Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Edwards, Little,

The Committee appointed the 1^t^ Inst relative to Town Pump near M^r^. Eliots — are directed to place Posts & Rails around the Pump, and to have the same put in Repair

Agreed on the request of a number of Inhabitants, to Issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Thursday the 9^t^ Ins^t^ 11 O'Clock AM:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 9 [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

M^r^. Scollay appointed to give directions for the repairs of any damage done Deacon Phillips Pew, or any others by the Meeting of the Town at the Old South Church, this Day —

M^r^. Edwards & M^r^. Little to enquire as to the Reports of the Small Pox in Charter Street and to send the Persons who may have the Distemper to the Hospital at West Boston — or to Fence up the Streets &^c^. as usual.

[**321.**] Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards & Little a Committee to provide suitable Houses for the reception of Persons with the Small Pox.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 10 [1792.] Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay

M^r^. Crafts & M^r^. Scollay a Committee to order the Ground to be staked out around M^r^. Longs & other Houses taken up for a Hospital — and to appoint a Centinel for said Houses & to give written Instructions to the several Watchmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 20th [1792.] Present Price, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Little, Walley

Passed upon the List of Licensed Persons for the last Year, and a return made thereon to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace as the Law directs — which return was given Ezekiel Price Esq. to be returned

The Selectmen on the 15 Inst^t^. Visited Rainsford^s^ Island & the State Hospital under their care accompanied by a number of very respectable Persons — in the execution of this trust; every circumstance was agreable, saving that an unexpected blow from the North West made it necessary to spend one night & part of the next Day, more than was usual on former occasions.

The Committee appointed to confer with M^r^. Welch on the part of the Proprietors of the North Mills with respect to the repairs of the Mills & Draw Bridges having attended that service Report as their Opinion that the same be repaired or new made as soon as may be; the Expence to be defrayed, two thirds thereof by the said Proprietors and the other third by the Inhabitants of

the Town, provided always that this Instance shall [**322.**] Not be used as a Precedent on any future occasion to determine whose duty it is, eventually to keep the same in repair.

THOMAS CRAFTS p Order

The aforegoing Report having been accepted by the Selectmen

Voted, that the same Committee make the Proprietors aforesaid acquainted with this Vote, and they are ordered to carry it into execution to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 22^{d} [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Scollay,

Col^{o}. Crafts, Col^{o}. Scollay & M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{ee} to view the Pavement near M^{r}. Whittmores House, & to agree to defray such a proportion of the charge as they may Judge reasonable, provided it does not exceed Nine Pounds.

M^{r}. Price delivered to the Selectmen the Resolve of the General Court dated June 30^{t}. 1792 respecting Districting the Commonwealth for the purpose of choosing Federal Representatives — also a Resolve of the General Court dated June 30. 1792 — respecting Districting the Commonwealth for the purpose of choosing Electors of President & Vice President.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27^{t}. [1792.] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Price, Little, Walley,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, & that 12^{d}. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - -	–	14	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - -	1	12	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1	10	8
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh	0	9	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian	3	0	0

[**323.**] Passed upon Accounts.

The Selectmen have agreed to perambulate the Bounds between Roxbury & Boston — the third Wednesday in September, provided

The Selectmen to write the Selectmen of Roxbury as usual.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 28^{t}. [1792.] A: M: Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

M^{r}. Little & Scollay a Committee to apply to M^{r}. Clap in Cornhill & know if he will remove the Young Woman that is taken with the Small Pox at his House to the Hospital at West Boston.

The Committee having applied accordingly Reported that M^{r}. Clap will not consent to the Young Womans being removed.

M^{r}. Price M^{r}. Crafts & M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to order a flag to be put out at M^{r}. Clapps House in Cornhill, & to have the Street

Fenced up, as also to give such other directions as they may Judge necessary to prevent the spreading of the Small Pox.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 28. [1792.] P: M: Present Messrs Price, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant in the Name of the Selectmen, agreable to the Petitions of a number of Inhabitants for calling a Town Meeting on the 29^{t}. Ins^{t}. 10 O Clock A: M:

As also to publish an Advertisement of the present state of the Small Pox.

[**324.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 29^{t}. [1792.] Present Mess: Little, Sever, Edwards, Boardman, Little, Bulfinch,

Passed upon other Accounts.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 30 [1792.] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Walley, Little, Edwards,

Met the Overseers of the Poor. on their application, and had a conference with them relative to the Poor of other Towns — & the State Poor — when it was agreed the Overseers should attend to all the poor Inhabitants of this State; and the Selectmen to Strangers.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 5 [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts.

M^{r}. Edwards Scollay & Little a Committee to confer with them relative to supply of State Poor.

Upon the Report of M^{r}. Crafts & M^{r}. Little that this Day was put into their hands by Messrs: Placide & Harper the Sum of Fifty three pounds 7/ to be by the Selectmen distributed among the Poor of the Town of Boston.

Voted, that the Selectmen accept the same and distribute it in such manner as they shall think the exigency of the Poor may require.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 7. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

The Committee vizt. Col^{o}. Crafts M^{r}. Sever & Maj^{r}. Scollay who have hired Houses for an Hospital for People with the Small Pox are hereby authorised & empowered to settle with said Owners — and to see that the old Hospital house is cleared & cleansed as soon as they shall Judge proper.

[**325.**] The aforegoing Sum of £53 – 7/. Received of Messrs: Placide & Harper, has been divided among the several Selectmen as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To Ezekiel Price Esq - - - - - -	£6 12. 0	
To Thom^{s}. Walley Esq - - - - - -	6 12. 0	
To Deacon Boardman - - - - - -	0 0 0	
To M^{r}. Sever	6 12 0	
	see March 5. 1794	
To Thomas Edwards Esq - - - - -	6 12. 0	
To M^{r}. Bulfinch - - - - - - - -	6 12. 0	
To Col^{o}. Scollay - - - - - - - -	6 12. 0	
To M^{r}. Little - - - - - - - - -	6 12. 0	
To Thomas Crafts Esq - - - - - -	7 3. 0	
		£53 7

in order for its being distributed among the Poor in this Town.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 12, 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

M^{r}. Nazro directed to request the attendance of the Physicians in the Town on the Morrow. 12. O: Clock as by List given him.

The Clerk directed to deliver M^{r}. Nazro his Bonds as Clerk of the Market.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 13. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

The following Advertisement was sent for insertion in the public Papers — Viz^{t}

The time for permission of Inoculation in this Town by a Vote of the Inhabitants at a general Town Meeting was limitted to the 15 of Septem^{r}. Ins^{t}. therefore the Selectmen expect that no Person will presume to come into this Town for Inoculation after the said 15. Day is past, & they hereby inform the Publick, that the Gentlemen Physicians belonging to or now in the Town have engaged in conformity to said Vote, that they will not Inoculate any new Subject after the time limitted.

By Order of the Selectmen

Boston, September 14. 1792 — William Cooper, Town Clerk

[**326.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 18 [1792.] Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little,

Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Bulfinch & Edwards a Committee to ascertain the bounds of the Land of the New School in Nassau Street, purchased of Deacon Gridley.

An Advertizement relative to the Small Pox sent to Russell, for an insertion in the Centinel.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21 [1792.] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

Jurors drawn for Court Common Pleas & District Court, drawn & posted in Jury Books.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24 [1792.] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Scollay,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6. p Bushel and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows — Vis^{t} —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	14	4
a 4^{d}. ditto of white Bread must weigh	1	12	8
a 4^{d}. ditto of Brick Bread must weigh	1	10	8
Biskets of two Coppers price must weigh	—	9	8
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	0
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	0	0

Ordered, that a Warrant be issued for a Town Meeting Fryday next 10. O'Clock A: M: 28th. Ins^{t}

Edes & Son —— to have printing Notifications

M^{r}. Nazro directed to make a Return the next Wednesday of all that have been buried untill that time with the Small Pox.

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES.

BOOK EIGHTEENTH.

1792.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 25 [1792.] Present Messrs: Walley, Price, Boardman, Sever, Bullfinch, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Edwards —

Pursuant to Agreement, We the Subscribers Agents for the Towns of Boston & Roxbury, met at the time and place appointed on Wednesday the 19th. Day of September Anno Domini 1792. and perambulated the Line, and renewed the Bound Marks between the said Towns as follows to wit — Begining at the Mouth of the Crick which opens into the Bay leading to Cambridge, and as the said Crick runs untill it comes in a range with the Fence and Trees, between the Lands of the Heirs of Capt. Aaron Davis deceased (formerly John Richardson Esq.) and the Land of Samuel Wells Esq (formerly M^{r}. Minots) then across the Street or High Way, untill it comes to a large Stone standing end Ways in the Fence, and the Easterly side of said Street or High Way; and from thence South, 43. Degrees East to a large Stone standing end way in the Ground about eighty Feet from the said Street or High Way marked B on the Easterly side & R on the Westerly side, and from thence the same course to a large Stone standing in the Meadow marked B on the Northwesterly side, and R on the South Easterly side: from thence turning & running North 58 Degrees East by a straight line untill it comes to a Stone in Lambs Dam (so called) & from thence to the Creek & as the said Creek runs into the Bay, between the Towns of Boston and Dorchester.

Thomas Clark John Davis William Heath Joseph Ruggles Ralph Smith Aaron Davis	Agent for the Town of Roxbury.
Ezekiel Price Thom^{s}. Walley William Boardman Ebenezer Sever Thomas Crafts Thomas Edwards William Little William Scollay	Selectmen Agents for the Town of Boston.

[2.] The Remonstrance of Abraham Quincy as Administrater, that the Drain now constructing at the bottom of State Street may

not be carried under the Store at the bottom of the Street — Referred to the Committee who now superintend the paving of State Street —

On the Petition of the Blacks that Henry Richard Stevenson, may have the care of burying the Blacks — Voted that the said Stephenson have a License to take care of the Funerals of the Blacks, in all respects except breaking Ground

Passed upon other Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 28. 1792 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Scollay —

M^{r}. Edwards & D^{r}. Scollay, a Committee to prepare Papers for the Committe relative to taking the state of the Small Pox —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29 [1792] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts —

Town Clerk directed to publish an Advertisem^{t}. in Monday Tuesday & Wednesdays Papers, relative to a Visitation of the Town in order to enquire into the state of the Small Pox —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 1. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay a Committee to alter the Fire Place in the Selectmens Chamber, and procure a suitable Stove, in order to make the Chambers, comfortable & convenient for the Selectmen & other Gentlemen to meet [**3.**] there in the Winter season —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^{o}. 3^{d} 1792 Present Messrs: Edwards, Walley, Price, Crafts, Sever, Scollay, Little —

Voted, that the Selectmen will have a second Visitation of the several Wards for the purpose of Warning out Strangers —

Upon the Petition of Conner as on file — M^{r}. William Clough Carpenter & Maj^{r}. William Bell Mason, were appointed a Committee to view the Premisses, & make Report to the Selectmen as soon as may be —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 8, 1792 Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

Passed upon several Petitions for Retailers & Inholders, as — p List of the same —

M^{r}. Edwards, M^{r}. Boardman & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to Agree with D^{r}. Townsend relative to removing an old Building in order to widen Back Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 10. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Boardman, Scollay, Price, Little,

Deacon Henderson appears and offers M^{r}. Thomas Parker Merch^{t}. & M^{r}. Enoch James Gentleman as his Bondsmen for a

Collector of Taxes — the present Year — (the same as last) (approved)

Mr. Benjamin Jepson a Collector of Taxes for the present Year, offers for Bondsmen — Mr. Benjamin Sumner Junr. Mercht. & Daniel Biggelow Mercht. (another in the room of B see October 24t)

Mr. James Thompson a Collector of Taxes for the present Year, offers Mr. Thomas Inglish Mercht. & Mr. Nathan Spear Junr. Merchant, for his Bondsmen —
(approved)

Mr. Thomas Bayley a Collector of Taxes for the present Year, offers Mr. James Bayley Gentleman, & Henry Bass Mercht. as his Bondsmen — (approved)

[4.] Majr. Mellvil & Mr. Sturgis two of the Gentlemen Fire Wards, appeared, and requested the Selectmen, that a new Engine may be procured for No. 6 New Boston that Engine having become quite unservicable —

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Edwards & Colo. Scollay a Committee to enquire of the Assessors the mode of laying their last Tax —

Daniel Fenno applies to the Selectmen that he may have the Stall in Faneuil Hall Market occupied by the late Mr. Willson —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 15 [1792.] Present Messrs: Edwards, Price, Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Boardman,

The Overseers attended, and had a conference relative to the next Visitation of the Town for taking an accurate state of the Small Pox, as by a Vote of the Town at their last Meeting

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 17. 1792 Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Price, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Little,

Mr. Sever Crafts & Scollay a Commee. to view the Damn upon the Neck, and to Report thereon —

Mr. Sever, Colo. Crafts & Mr. Little a Committee to procure a new Engine for West Boston in the place of Engine No. 6. which is now become quite unserviceable

Mr. Sever to procure Wood for the two So. Schools not exceeding eight Cord

Colo. Crafts to procure 6 Cord Wood for Master Hunt & 8 Cord each for the Reading & Writing Schools —

Mr. Little to procure 8 Cord of Wood for each of the North Schools —

Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting [5.] for the choice of Representatives for the Congress of the United States — as by a late Resolve of the Genl. Court — see for Minister Octor. 24

Mr. Nehemiah May of Goshen in the County of Hampshire informs the Selectmen that he has a Child of one Lewis a Foreigner — he was requested still to keep the Child & make a charge to the State for the keeping it —

Majr. William Bell & Nathaniel Heath to have a draught on the Town Treasurer in the Draught for October £150 . . 6 . . 8. being

another third part of the amount of the Contract for building North School House —

(drawn for)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 22. 1792 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Little,

Col°. Scollay having applied for leave to make use of Faneuil Hall to exercise the several Companies of his Regiment the ensuing Winter Evenings — Voted to comply with this request, and Col°. Scollay is appointed to make such arangements as will not interfere with the other Corps, to whom liberty has been before granted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r. 22^d. 1792 P.M Present Messrs: Price Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,

M^r. Sever & Col°. Crafts a Committee for erecting Smoke Houses on the Neck —

M^r. Edwards & M^r. Little to erect Smoke Houses at the North part of the Town —

Voted, that the Town Cryer inform the Inhabitants that they are requested to remove all their dirt & filth into the Streets on Tuesday & Wednesday, Carts will be provided on Wednesday & Thursday to receive the same — The Inhabitants are also requested to take measures for cleansing smoking and airing their Houses Linnen Woolens & Furniture

Boston Octo^r. 22^d. 1792. By Order of Selectmen —

[**6.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen in the Evening Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Edwards,

An Advertisement relative to cleansing the Town sent for publication to several of the Printers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Octo 24, 1792] Present Messrs: Sever, Bulfinch, Edwards, Price, Scollay, Little, Crafts, Boardman,

M^r. Jepsoon proposes Elisha Sigorny Merchant as one of his Bondsmen as Collector in the room of M^r. Daniel Biggelow — see October 10th. — who was approved of by the Selectmen —

M^r. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to wait on Doctor Walter and request his opening the Town [Meeting] on Fryday the 2^d of Novem^r. next 10.O: Clock A: M:

see October 17th. —

The Town Clerk having laid the Collectors Bonds before the Selectmen, and the same having been approved of by them — A Certificate was given the Assessors, that the Selectmen had no objection to the Tax Books being delivered the Collectors —

Upon the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants relative to calling a Town Meeting to hear what M^r. Cheney or the School Committee had to offer, the Selectmen declined calling a Meeting, as the matter had been taken up in a former Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 29th [1792] Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Price, Crafts, Bulfinch,

Mr. Daniel Greanleaff & other Clerks of the Market (for the Year 1791 — apply for the Premium allowed by the Town of Ten Pounds, to those that serve in said Office

To have a draught in this Months draught

[7.] Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb	oz	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - - -		14	4
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	12	8
a 4d. ditto of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - - -	1	10	8
Biskets of two Coppers price must weigh - - - - -		9	8
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	0
a 4 do. of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do	3		

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to examine & supply the Hospital, with such Articles as they may Judge necessary for the accommodation of the House —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 31st. 1792 Present Messrs: Edwards, Scollay, Boardman, Sever, Parks, [*sic*, but probably Crafts;] Price, Bulfinch, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Colo. Scollay & Colo. Crafts appointed, to order the necessary Repairs to the Centre Schools —

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to see the Fences erected in Federal Street to take in the Houses of Presen Gibert [*sic*] — & that Flags be put out —

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little to make enquiry as to Persons with the Small Pox at the House of Mr. Carnes &c —

Mr. Little & Mr. Edwards to examine into the State of the Chimnies of a House of Mr. Freeman lately consumed by Fire, & confer with the Owner

Mr. Cushing Mastmaker requests permission to build a Tomb at the North Burial Ground —

[8.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 5. 1792 Present Mess: Scollay, Boardman, Price, Sever, Crafts, Little,

The farther consideration of Dr. Welch & Mr. Richardsons Account referred to next Wednesday —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 7 1792 Present Messrs: Boardman, Bulfinch, Price, Sever Scollay, Crafts, Little,

Mr. Brown of Engine No. 1 — proposes Joseph Fullerton & Nathaniel Brown in the room of Newbury Clough & Alford Shaw —

Mr. Price & Colo. Crafts & Mr. Scollay a Committee to enquire

into the right of the Town to a piece of Land laid out as a Street called Grays Street adjoining Grays Rope Walk

Passed upon Mr. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse his Province Account amounting to £361–3–8– as p a Copy to be sent for a place on the files —

An Advertisement relative to the Small Pox sent to be inserted in Adams's News Paper

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 14. [1792] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Little, Crafts,

Five petit Jurors for District Court, this Day drawn out Superior Jury Box, and entred & posted in the Jury Books —

Voted, that the Sum of thirty Pounds be allowed towards the repairs of Pembertons Hill, provided the same be done to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novemr. 21. 1792 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Sever, Bulfinch, Price, Edwards, Little,

[**9.**] Mr. Makepeace & Mr. Swan are to be informed that unless they discharge their Bonds to the Town as security to Daniel Parker, they will be put in Suit the next January Court —

Capt. Carly in the Governor Wentworth from Philadelphia, informs that one Fortune, a Black & one of his Company had broke out with the Small Pox, — and as it appeared likely that the Distemper would be light — he was sent to the Hospital a West Boston —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26. 1792 Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Sever, Crafts, Price, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 5/6 p. bushel, and that 12d p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows Vizt.

		lb-	oz-	dr-
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread - - - - -	must weigh	—	14	4
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread, - - - - -	must weigh	1	12	8
a 4d. ditto of Brick Bread - - - - -	must weigh	1	10	8
Biskets of 2 Coppers price - - - - -	must weigh	—	9	8
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do		2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do.		3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 28. 1792 — Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Scollay, Boardman, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon other other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 5. 1792 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Scollay, Price, Edwards, Bulfinch, Boardman, Crafts,

An Advertisement sent to the Papers, relative to Chimny Sweepers —

[**10.**] On the application of Mr. Winship

Voted, that Mr. Winship have the Stall lately occupied by Mr. Wilson, since deceased untill the first of March next — sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 12. 1792 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Boardman, Little,

On the Petition of a number of Inhabitants

Ordered, that a Warrant be issued for a Town Meeting on Fryday the 21st. Day of December Inst.

to have the printing of the Notifications for the above Meeting —

Voted, that Samuel Harris Painter have a draft next draft Day on the Town Treasurer in part for painting North School Twelve Pounds sent —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 17. 1792 Present Messrs. Little, Scollay, Price, Edwards, Crafts,

Mr. Pease of Engine No. 5 — is to have a draft for a Premium for bringing their Engine to work first on the late Fire in Court Street — Certified by John Winthrop a Fire Ward —

drawn for —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 19 [1792] Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Edwards,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 26. 1792 Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Sever, Price, Little, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards

10 Petit Jurors drawn, and entered and posted up in the Jury Books —

[**11.**] Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to provide proper Stoves & the Appurtenances for both the North Schools —

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to do what is necessary, relative to the Stove of Mr. Binghams School —

Colo. Josiah Waters appointed by the Selectmen, unanimously, An Officer of Police, and his pay to commence from his taking the Oath of Office, which was administered to him on the 26th instt. p Thomas Crafts Esq

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 31 1792 Present Mess: Price, Crafts, Scollay,

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered that the Assize of Bread be now stated or set at Wheat at 7/ p bushel, and that 12d. p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows — — Vizt. —

	lb	oz-	dr
A 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4d. Loaf of brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do -	2	4	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do -	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 2^{d}. 1793 Present Messr^{s}: Sever, Scollay, Boardman, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Capt. Laha is permitted to procure necessary Sails for the State Boat —

[**12.**] Ordered, that a Warrant be issued for calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants on Monday the 14 Day of Jany. Ins^{t}. agreable to a Precept from his Excellency the Governor, for the choice of a Person to Represent the first District of this State in Congress —

Voted, that Mess. Edes have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 9. 1793 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Little,

Voted, that Messrs: Bell & Heath have a draft next Draught Day for the other third, being the last of their Contract for building North School —

Deacon Boardman & Col. Sever a Comm^{e} relative to Town Estates that are rented —

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{e}. to rent Cellar at N^{o}. School —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 16. 1793 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Bulfinch, Little,

Jurymen for Supreme Court drawn & posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 23^{d}. 1793 Present Messrs:

No Meeting of the Selectmen, the preparations for the Civic Festival, making it inconvenient —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 28 [1793] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Boardman,

[**13.**] Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows- - - - - - - - - - Viz^{t}.—

	lb-	oz-	d
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	1	7	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - -	—	7	12
a 4°. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.—	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.—	3	—	—

Gave a Certificate to William Draper son of Richard Draper late of Col^{o}. Biggelows Regiment that he is the proper Person to receive any Money that may be due to his said Father, while in the Continental service —

Passed upon William Moors State Account amounting to £13.. 16 — a Copy of which was not sent

Mr. Edwards, Little, Colo. Scollay & Mr. Bulfinch a Committee to draw out the Towns Account against the Commonwealth, since the last Account given in —

Whereas the Town Treasurer has represented to this Board that the Treasury is now drained of Money, & the Collectors of Taxes are greatly difficient in Collection of the Tax for 1791, & as large Sums of Money are immediately wanted for the supply of the Poor in the Almshouse — for Schoolmasters Salarys — for payment of the balance due to the Workmen, for building the School house at the North part [**14.**] of the Town — for building Stalls in the Market — for payment of Physicians who attended the Poor in the Small Pox — Watchmens Wages, Lamps & for diverse other purposes it was moved &

Voted, That the Town Treasurer be requested to call on any of the Inhabitants who have not paid their Tax for 1791, and represent to them the situation of the Town with respect to its Finances, and of how much importance it will be for the Town for them to pay the Taxes that are due, as thereby the Treasurer will be enabled to pay the Creditors of the Town with punctuality —

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 30 — 1793 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Bulfinch, Crafts,

Passed upon other Accounts

Information having been given the Selectmen that a Brigt. from Charlestown So. Carolina Capt. Cotterel, had a Man on board named Harding, who was taken with the Small Pox soon after he left said Port — Dr. Welsh was desired to examine into the Circumstances, and upon his Report — said Harding was sent to Rainsfords Island, and the Vessel so well smoked & cleansed, as that liberty was granted for her unlading — the Cargo being only Rice & Tobacco —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 6. 1793 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Bulfinch, Scollay, Little —

Passed upon Capt. Laha State Account [**15.**] amounting to £38.. 11.. 5d — as by a Copy on file —

The Petition of Nathn. Appleton & others referred to the Commee. appointed the 7. of Decemr last, for them to take such immediate orders thereon as they shall Judge proper

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9. 1793 Present Messrs: Boardman, Bulfinch, Sever, Little, Scollay, Price,

Ordered, That a Warrant be prepared for a Town Meeting on Wednesday next 10. O Clock A: M: being the 13th. of Feby. Instt —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 13. 1793 Present Mess: Boardman, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay, Sever,

On the representation made by the Inspector of Police, that

Sam[l] Baker & Nath[l]. Wilton who have been detected in forestalling the Market; were ready to make proper acknowledgements for the injury done, & wished that the Inspector of Police would in such case be satisfied without commencing Actions against them, for their said offence — It was Voted, that it be recommended to Col°. Waters as Inspector of Police, to suspend the intended prosecutions, on his receiving such satisfaction as would Justify his conduct in so doing —

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb[y]. 20. 1793 Present Mess: Scollay, Sever, Bulfinch, Boardman, Little,

M[r]. Price, Scollay & M[r]. Bulfinch a Committee to examine & Report, relative to the Pest House at West Boston —

Passed upon D[r]. Welsh State Acco[t]. instead of the one passed upon Nov[r]. 1792 — am°. to £41. 2. 6 — as p a Copy which is to be given in

[**16.**] Upon application of the Inspector of Police for direction respecting the Ladders of the Fire Engine

Voted, that he be directed to have all those Ladders put into repair, which may require it, and to procure a new one for the Engine in Ward N°. 10

Voted, that the Subject of any additional number of Ladders, be referred for the present

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb[y]. 25th [1793] Present Mess: Edwards. Scollay, Boardman, Little, Bulfinch, Price, Crafts, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz[t]. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2[d]. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - -	—	12	6
a 4[d]. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	1	8	12
a 4[d]. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - -	—	8	4
a 4[d]. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d°.	2	8	—
a 4[d]. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d°.	3	—	—

Part of the Cellar under N°. Schoolhouse is Rented to Capen at the rate of £5 — p Year, Rent commencing the 11 of February Ins[t]. —

sent

Engine Men appointed as by List on file

Matthew Newman appointed to recieve Cow Money

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb[y]. 27. [1793] Present Mess[rs]: Edwards, Boardman, Scollay, Walley, Bulfinch, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Passed upon Robert Newmans State Account amounting to £4. 10/ — as by Copy to be sent in —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 1. 1793 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little —

[17.] Passed upon other Accounts —

Passed upon Jesse Houghtons State Account am^{o} as by Copy to £26 .. 16.8 —

Draught for February last examined by the Selectmen, and ordered to be given in to the Treasurer —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Comm^{ee}. to wait on D^{r}. Walker & ask his opening the March Meeting with Prayer —

Ordered, that a Warrant be prepared for calling a Meeting on the 11th. of March Ins^{t} 10. O.Clock A: M:

Mess: Edes to have the printing of the Notification —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 2^{d} [1793] Present Messrs. Sever, Price, Walley, Boardman, Scollay, Crafts,

Extra Jurors drawn and entered on the Jury Books and posted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 6^{t} [1793] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Bulfinch, Scollay, Little,

The Selectmen having taken into consideration a suitable allowance for M^{r}. William Gooch the Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market, — It was Voted, that his allowance for all services, be at the rate of One hundred & twenty pounds p Annum —

Also a proper allowance for M^{r}. Hopestill Foster who has the care of the Hay Engine — which the Selectmen have affixed at the rate of One hundred & twenty pounds p Annum — The Selectmen in the above Grants were influenced by the advanced price of the necessaries of life —

[18.] It is agreed that the whole Board wait upon the Committee of the General Court relative to the State Poor, as a Comm^{e}. if called upon by said Comm^{e}. of the Court —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 8th [1793] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

The Antient & Honble. Artillery Company having obtained leave of the Board in March last for the use of the Hall on Wednesday Evenings Colo^{o}. Scollay is desired to Assign to Capt. Russell the use of the Hall some other Evenings and also to make such Arangements as may be necessary for the accommodation of the other Military Corps that may apply —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 10. 1793 Lords Day — Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little Scollay, Sever, Bulfinch,

The Selectmen having received information that some evil minded & unprincipled Person or Persons had wickedly & wantonly broke and injured several of the Fire Engines in the course of the last Night — met at 12. o'Clock and ordered a Notification to be immediately printed and posted up in the different parts of

the Town, offering a reward of two hundred Dollars to any Person who shall inform of the Perpetrator or Perpetrators of so atrotious a piece of Villany & Wickedness, to his or their conviction — and ordered the same to be printed in Edes & Sons Monday Paper & in other Papers — Adjourned to 5. o: Clock P: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 10. 1793. Lords Day Evening 5 o: Clock P: M. Present Messrs. Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Sever, Bulfinch,

The Captains of the several Watch, attended the Board, as required; but after the most strict enquiry, could not discover a Person concerned or even suspected

[**19.**] The Watch were ordered to patrole the Street the whole Night, and to be particularly Vigilant in their Duty —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 13, 1793 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Sever,

Several Persons were enquired of, this Day relative to the enormities of last Saturday Night, and two Persons were sent for & examined by the Board — but no discovery as yet, has been made leading to a conviction —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 20 — 1793 Present Messrs: Scollay, Sever, Walley, Crafts, Little, Boardman, Bulfinch, Price, Edwards,

The following Votes, were passed at their late Meeting the 13 Ins^t. Viz^t. —

Voted, that a Book be procured for the purpose of making Memorandums of what Business each Selectman has been applied to upon, in his said capasity —

Voted, that all Applications that may be made to the Selectmen when in Meeting be also enter'd in said Book and that they be acted upon in the Order that they stand —

Voted, that all Business not finished at one Meeting be the first taken up at the next, & no other Matters be suffered to interfere, except it is an affair of emergency —

Voted, that on Draft Days no Person be admitted except on matters respecting their own accounts, or on business of such importance, that would not be convenient to be delayed —

Voted, That the Selectmen meet the ensuing Year at 3. O'Clock P: M: —

[**20.**] The Town Clerk is directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 1st. of April next being the Day assigned by the Constitution for the choice of Governor &^c —

M^r. Sever & M^r. Scollay a Committee to wait on Rev^d. M^r. West to open the Town Meeting with Prayer

The Town Clerk is directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 1st. of April next 3 O'Clock P: M: for choice of a Representative for the 1st. District, for Congress

VOTED, that the Committee who have the directions of the Market Buildings, be empowered to have such Pavements steps &^c. done to the Fish Market as they may think necessary

Voted, that Mr. Scollay be directed to put the Gates to the Chapel Burying Ground in good order, and if necessary have new Gate Posts —

Voted, that Mr. Bulfinch, Mr. Little & Mr. Scollay confer with the Gentlemen who petition that the Works on Fort Hill may be levelled & Report —

Voted, that Mr. Little, Mr. Edwards & Deacon Boardman be a Committee to consider the application of Jona. Fenton asking leave to erect a Stone Pottery

On application of Mr. Samuel Bartlet Goodhue that he may have liberty to open a Private School for teaching Writing &c Voted that he have liberty to keep such a School he conforming to the directions of the Law

Boston Ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 22d. 1793 — Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

Passed upon two of Mr. Samuel Whitwells [**21.**] State Accounts amounting to £401..19/ and £494..5 — 3d. Copies of which are to be handed in to the Selectmen to be placed on their files —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 25. 1793 Present Messrs: Bulfinch, Scollay, Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Little, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6. p Bushell, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	—	12	6
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	1	8	12
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of two Coppers price must weigh - - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal — do.	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do.	3	—	—

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Scollay a Committee to let the Cellar under Center School —

Charles Williams a Collector for 1790 having produced his Receits from the Town County & State Treasurers that he had paid in the full sum Collected for that Year — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bond given by him for Collecting the Tax of said Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 27. [1793.] Present Mess: Price, Scollay, Walley, Crafts, Sever, Bulfinch, Boardman, Little.

Passed upon other Accounts —

Colo. Crafts Mr. Edwards & Deacon Boardman a Committee to view the Land where Mr. Howard is about erecting a Building —

Colo. Crafts Mr. Scollay & Mr. Sever a Committee to confer with the Owners of the Land in Vincents Alley & make Report —

[22.] The Draught of this Month examined by the Selectmen and the Town Clerk directed to give it in to the Town Treasurer —

William Phillips Esq. acquaints the Selectmen as by his Letter on file — that he has taken up his Residence in the Town of Andover —

Mr. Scollay appointed to confer with Mr. Fessendon & Mr. Parsons relative to a new Street they propose to lay out, near New South Church —

Mess: Bulfinch, Colo. Crafts, Colo. Scollay a Committee to consider & Report the most eligible method of Aranging the Town Watch

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 3d. [1793] Present [Mess:] Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay, Price,

Jurors chosen Grand & Petit for the Court of Common Pleas and entered & posted up in the Jury Books —

Mr. Walley, Sever & Colo. Crafts a Committee on the application of Mr. Aaron Willard "for leave to open a Drain from the Cellar of a House he is now building on the Neck of Boston so called & to convey the Water across Washington Street to empty it into the Towns Land called the Bull Pasture" to view the Premisses, — to grant leave if they think best, or make such other Agreement with the said Willard, as shall be most for the security of the Towns Interest in said Land, & to prevent any disputes hereafter relating to the same —

On application of James Endicut Esq for abatement of the Rent of Stall No. 37 it having been injured by the erecting a new Building — a Commee. was appointed who Report as their opinion that Mr. [23.] Endicut pay half price from the time he was interrupted by the Erecting said Buildings —

Mr. Price, Mr. Walley & Colo. Scollay a Committee to confer with the Abuttors on Kilby Street, respecting the paving said Street — also the Repairs of the Drain at Olivers Dock —

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Walley a Committee to settle Tukesburys Accounts & Report the balance

Mr. Sever & Colo. Scollay a Committee to let Bull Pasture for this Year, & the Pasture at the end of the Mall, if they Judge it expedient — Colo. Crafts added to this Committee —

Voted, that the Treasurer of this Town be informed that the Selectmen have Voted and ordered that the Rents of the Tenements & Estate of the Town mentioned in the Schedule annexed be from & after the expiration of the present Quarter, at the Sums respectively set against them in the said Schedule, and that the said Treasurer be requested, as soon as may be to give Notice thereof to the present Tenants or Occupants of the same

Rents of Real Estate belonging to the Town of Boston — Vizt. —

The Granary to Doctor David Townsend for	- - - -	£30 –	£40
Labratory Building — Nathl. Frothingham & Co.	- -	20 –	30
Store on Dock Square — Will: Dawes Junr	- - - -	40 –	60
Ditto - - do. - -	Dr. Morse - - - - - - - -	32 –	45
Ditto - - do. - -	Samuel Austen Junr. - - -	24 –	30

Tenement in Court Street —	Jessee Houghton - - -	15 –	18
Ditto - - - - - d°. - -	Elizabeth Bonyng - - -	12 –	15
Shop - - - - - d°. - -	Benjn. Jepson - - - -	6	
Ditto - - - - - d°. - -	Elisha Adlington - - -	4 –	
Ditto - - - - - d°. - -	Ephraim Brown - - - -	4 –	

[24.]

Cellar under State House —	David Bradley - - - -	17 –	40
Deer Island - - - - - -	Andrew Tukesbury - - -	50.	too much
Bull Pasture Boston Neck	- - - - - - - - - -	9	
Pasture at the foot of the Mall	- - - - - - - - -	6	
N°. 1 — 2 Stalls improved by	Abijah Brown -	12 –	
2 & 3 — 3 d°. - - d°. - -	Ruggles & Warner	18 –	
4 — 2 d°. - - d°. - -	Enoch Baldwin -	12 –	
5 & 6 — 3 d°. - - d°. - -	Jon^a. Winship -	17 –	
7 & 8 — 3 d°. - - d°. - - -	d°. - - -	17 –	
9 2 d°. - - d°. - -	Benjamin Duick	12 –	
10 2 d°. - - d°. - -	Daniel Saunders	12 –	
11 & 12 3 d°. - - d°. - -	Caleb Wheaton -	18 –	
Stalls outside Market uncertain			
Hay Engine - - - -	d°. —		

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 10 [1793] Present Mess: Boardman, Walley, Price, Crafts, Scollay, Bulfinch, Little,

The Committee appointed to confer with M^r. Willard respecting a Drain he has carried into the Bull Pasture upon the Neck are authorized to determine with him on what terms the same shall be continued and to receive an Obligation from him to remove it when ever the Selectmen or the Town may require it —

M^r. Price, Edwards & Bulfinch a Committee to make answer to a Letter received from of Rotterdam, & Report the same to the Selectmen

Col°. Waters appointed to superintend the busness of Warning Strangers to depart this Town —

M^r. Bulfinch & Col°. Scollay a Committee to arange the aforementioned business —

On the application of Jonathan Fenton for carrying on a Stone Pottery at the North End — Liberty was granted, therefor —

[25.] M^r. Samuel White appointed to Collect Cow Money in the room of M^r. Nazro who has resigned the appointment —

M^r. Little & M^r. Edwards on the application appointed a Committee to settle with Capt. Butler as to his Lease for Winnisimit Ferry —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 17th [1793] Present Messrs. Sever, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Boardman, Walley, Edwards, Bulfinch,

M^r. Edwards, Mr. Bulfinch & Mr. Sever, a Committee to view the Mill Bridge, and Report the best method for Rebuilding the same —

Agreed that a Warrant shall be issued for calling a Meeting on the 24 of April Ins^t. 10. oClock A: M: for the purpose of choos-

ing Assessors & Collectors of Taxes & such other Town Officers as may be wanting —

Mr. Sever, Deacon Boardman & Mr. Walley & Colo. Scollay a Committee to view Mr. Dawes Store & the Cellar under the State House — and to Report what deductions if any should be made from their Rents & what Repairs are necessary —

The Town Clerk to publish the same Advertisement & Extract of the Law relative to Cows as the last Year — the name of the new Officer to be mentioned, and the sum paid for each Cow the same as last Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 24. 1793 Present [Mess:] Scollay, Sever, Walley, Little, Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch,

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to ascertain the Towns right to a 20 feet passage leading from Atkinson Street —

[**26.**] The Committee appointed on the application of Abraham Quincy & Benjamin Brown relative to a Drain running under their Stores in State Street — Report That it is necessary that a Drain should run through said Cellars & as it is probable that some damage may arise to said Estate in consequence thereof, your Committee think the Town should make the same good to the Heirs on the Judgement of three disinterested Persons chosen for that purpose — the aforegoing Report having been considered — was approved of by the Selectmen —

On the application of Mungo Mackay and others that the new Boston Bell may be rang at 5. o Clock in the Morning — Voted, that said Bell shall be rang at said hour untill the 1st. of October next —

Mr. Sever, Scollay & Bulfinch are appointed, to direct proper Repairs to Nassau Street

On complaint that the Chimnies of an House in Milk Street occupied by Henry Allen Esq are insufficient & dangerous — Messrs. French & Hearsay were empowered to examine said Chimnies & Report the state thereof to the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 29. 1793. A: M. Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Scollay,

A Letter wrote Mr. Aaron Willard forbiding him to Erect a Brick Kiln on his Land on the Neck, to prevent a prosecution, which will be the consequence of his proceeding —

[**27.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 29 P:M. Present [Mess:] Sever, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Walley

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt —

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a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian - -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Messrs: French & Hearsey, make return on the Warrant to examine Henry Allens Chimnies, that in their Opinion, they are not dangerous —

Deacon Boardman, Walley, Sever & Scollay a Committee to direct such Repairs as may be necessary to the Store occupied by Mr. Dawes

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 1. 1793 Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Walley, Edwards, Bulfinch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for Town Meeting May 8. 10. oClock A: M:

see May 17

Mr. Bulfinch & Mr. Walley a Committee to invite the Revd. Dr. Belknap to open the May Meeting with Prayer

Edes & Son to have the printing of the notifications for May Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 8. [1793] A: M Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards —

[28.] Samuel Laha Reports that the Briggne Patty John S: Girdlen Master from Bassaterre Gourdaloupe in 20 Days had the Small Pox on board — that all the People liable to Infection as well as the infected were taken on shore at Rainsfords Island, and have so smoked & cleansed the Briggne. as that she may come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants —

A Certificate that the aforenamed Vessell was permitted to come up to Town, was sent to Capt. Laha, accordingly —

Christopher Gore acquaints the Selectmen, by his Letter on file, that he had ceased to be an Inhabitant of Boston and had become an Inhabitant of Waltham — his Letter dated April 23d. 1793 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 15, 1793 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Bulfinch, Little,

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting, on Fryday the 24th. Inst. 11. o'Clock —

Adjourned to Fryday next 5. O Clock in order to finish the Warrt. for Town Meeting —

Henry Williams is to be allowed One hundred Dollars for repairs of Winnisimet Ferry, provided it be done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 17. 1793 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

Edes & Son to have the printing of the Notification for the Town Meeting to meet on the twenty fourth Inst. —

[29.] M^r^. Price added to the Committee on the Town Watch, and they are directed to Report on Wednesday next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 22^d^. 1793 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Price,

On the application of Capt. Ben^je^. Russell to Arm & equip two Men in Ward N°. 10. who are said to be unable to Arm and equip themselves as is by the Militia Law required — the Selectmen determined that this matter be referred to a full Board

Col^o^. Winslow & M^r^. Clark a Committee from the Ancient & Honble. the Artillery Company, requested the use of Faneuil Hall next Monday Week — which was granted by the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May [27, 1793] Present Mess: Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch, Boardman, Price, Scollay, Little, Walley, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that 12 pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^t^. —

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a 4^d^. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	3	12
Biskits of two Coppers price must weigh - - - -	—	7	4
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d^o^ -	2	8	—
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian d^o^ -	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 5 [1793] Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little —

Passed upon Accounts

[30.] Passed upon Capt. Laha State Accompt for Cordage for Boat belonging to the Hospital amounting to £3 .. 12 — without a Copy

Having received a Warrant from the Honble. George Rich^d^. Minot Esq. to enquire into the Circumstances of Nathan Davids, Represented to the Judge of Probate, as a Non Compos Person — they having made enquiry, and also seen him, find him to be as has been Represented — & made return this Day accordingly —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June [12. 1793] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Little —

Col^o^. Crafts, M^r^. Walley, Boardman, Col^o^. Scollay M^r^. Sever —

a Committee to attend a Committee of the General Court to Morrow Morning ½ past 8 o Clock A: M at the Alms house

M^r^. Price & Col^o^. Crafts, a Committee on Nehemiah Mays Account, for keeping a Boy by the Name of Lewis —

Agreed to meet on Fryday the 14. of June to receive the Physicians Accounts on Inoculation — and also to Agree on a Visitation to Deer Island

Passed upon other Accounts —

see below

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 14 [1793] Present Messrs. Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Walley, Little, Bulfinch,

Passed upon Nehemiah [May's] States Account amounting to £3..19 — being for keeping a Boy of the Name of Lewis

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen. [June 12. 1793] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Little,

[**31.**] Information being received by the Selectmen, that the public Engines had been injured by Villains unknown on the Night of the tenth — M^{r}. Gilbert was sent for and by his declaration it appearing not improbable that J. M: F was concerned in that atrocious Act —

Voted, that M^{r}. M: F. be sent for that the Selectmen adjourn to meet at their Chamber precisely at ½ past 3. o. Clock —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [June 13. 1793] A: M: Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch

M^{r}. M^{c}. Fadden was brought before them by the Inspector of the Police, and after having heard the Evidences of M^{r}. Gilbert & M^{r}. Cole and maturely examined the same, were unanimously of Opinion that a Complaint should be made by the Officer of Police to M^{r}. Justice Barrett in the name of the Selectmen, and that he be immediately prosecuted

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 19 [1793] Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Little, Sever, Scollay —

The Selectmen accompanied by a number of Gentlemen, Visited agreable to Annual custom Deer Island; and found things in proper order, saving the injury received by the late Drought, and the ravages of the Sea the last Winter — every circumstance proved agreable

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 21^{t} [1793] Present Mess: Boardman, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay, Crafts, Price,

[**32.**] Ten petit Jurors drawn for Court of Common Pleas & Sessions, which were entered & posted up in the Jury Brooks [*sic.*]

Col^{o}. Crafts Scollay Bulfinch & Little a Committee to view and direct the new Pavement at the side of Newbury Street before the Houses now building by M^{r}. Leach and M^{r}. Walker —

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to view the North Burial Ground & give directions for the removal of such broken an defaced Grave Stones as they may think proper — also to View the Fences of said Burying Ground, and to Report upon the State of them —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24^{t}. [1793] Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Bulfinch, Walley, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushell, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows - - - Vizt. —

	lb	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	10	14
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	5	12
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	3	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - -	—	7	4
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. -	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do. -	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 28t [1793] Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Price, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Little, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Resolve of General Court for £1000 — towards the maintenance of the Poor, to be paid Selectmen, for which Town Treasurer [**33.**] had an Order to receive, — see Resolve on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1st [1793] — Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Sever, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Agreed upon a Visitation of the Schools on Monday the 8t. of July Inst —

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Thursday the 4t. of July next 9 o: Clock A: M: in commemoration of the Day of the Declaration of INDEPENDANCE being the 4t. of July A D 1776 — Memo. there is to be no printed Notifications —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 3d [1793] Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Bulfinch, Scollay, Edwards, Price,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Messrs: Thomas Bayley & Benjamin Henderson two Collectors of Taxes for 1791, having produced the Town State & County Treasurers Receipts for the Monies committed to them to Collect for said Years — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver said Collectors the Bonds given by them for said Year —

Draught for last month having been examined the Town Clerk is directed to return the same to the Town Treasurer

Upon application of Samuel Parkman Esq. for liberty to shut the Street leading to West Boston Bridge to prevent Carriages from passing while the Street is repairing —

Voted, that the above Street be closed to prevent the passing of Carriages, in consequence of authority obtained from the Court of Sessions of the County of Suffolk at their April term; — that the Selectmen of the Town of Boston [**34.**] may shut up the Avenues leading to West Boston Bridge and any other Street that may be repairing in future —

Voted, that five Dollars p Rod be offered to Mr. Sergeant for repairing & making the Dam on the East side of Boston Neck — said Dam to be eighteen feet wide at the bottom 6½ feet high & seven feet on the top, to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to make the Contract —

On the application of Mark Richards for leave to break Ground &c. near the Building he has hired of Mr. Gill near the Market — Deacon Boardman and Mr. Edwards appointed a Committee to confer with Mr. Richards, & Report to the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 10. 1793 Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Little, Bulfinch,

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little, a Committee to view the Street leading from Capt. Adams's & the North Mills —

Mr. Edwards Mr. Bulfinch, Mr. Sever & Colo. Crafts a Committee to order a new Engine House to be prepared for Mill Bridge immediately —

The Committee who have the direction of paving Union Street, are also to attend to Salt Street, and act as in their Judgement may be proper —

The Auctioneers of last Year, applyd for the approbation of the Selectmen, Vizt —

June 20 Russell & Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thoms. K. Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Mollineux
James Eaton —

[**35.**] The Selectmen have agreed upon a Meeting next, Monday, to act upon the application of the Auctioneers — 4. o Clock P: M: — & Mr. Nazro is to notify the Auctioneers to attend at 5. o: Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July [11, 1793] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Little, Scollay,

Voted, that Colo. Waters the Inspector of Police be directed immediately to repair to a small Building Erecting on a Spot of Land belonging to the Town adjoining the Fish Market improved by Mr. Hews, and forbid the Carpenters & Workmen proceeding in their work and inform Mr. Woodward who is said to be the Person who is causing the same to be erected; that it is the direction of the Selectmen that he immediately cause the same Building to be removed off their Land and that Colo. Waters take with him Witnesses of his proceedings —

Col. Crafts, Mr. Sever, Walley & Mr. Scollay a Committee to make enquiry relative to a Wharff, said to erecting near the Towns Land on the Neck & a proposed Canal

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 15. [1793] Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Scollay, Bulfinch, Little,

This being a Meeting appointed for the appointment of Auctioneers — as noted for applying June 20t. for the approbation of the Selectmen, as Auctioneers were accordingly approbated — Vizt.—

Messrs: Russell & Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas K. Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Molineux
James Eaton

did not take out
see Sepr. 28.

[36.] all Inhabitants of this Town, and the Town Clerk is directed to prepare Certificates of the tenor of the last Year to be signed by the Selectmen for the term of one Year, from the 5 of May last —

Mr. Sever, Crafts & Scollay a Committee to contract with Mr. Sergeant, of Molden, to put the Dam on the East side of Boston Neck in thorough repair, & to proceed immediately on the business in a manner the most advantageous to the Town provided it be done at Six Dollars p Rod agreable to his own proposal in writing on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 24 [1793] Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Little,

Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for calling a Town Meeting on Fryday next 10. o Clock A: M

Messrs: Seaver, Crafts & Scollay being appointed a Committee to Contract with Mr. Sergeant to repair the Dam on the East side of Boston Neck, have attended that service several times, and agreably to a Vote of the Selectmen July 15. 1793. have offered Mr. Sergeant six Dollars a Rod, to put it in thorough Repair, which is what said Sergeant offered to do it for, but he now demands two Dollars a Day for his attendance on said business over & above the six Dollars a Rod; which demand your Committee apprehend is unreasonable — they are therefore of opinion that the whole of said proceedings with said Sergeant be suspended for the present

The aforegoing Report having been read & considered was accepted by the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 29th [1793] Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Walley,

[37.] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p Bushell and that 12d. p Bushell be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows - - - - Vizt. —

	lb	oz	dr
A 2d. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4d. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - - -	—	7	12

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. -	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do. -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Mr. James Thompson a Collector of Taxes for 1791 having produced the Town State & County Treasurers Receipts for the Sums committed to him to Collect for said Year — The Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bond given by said Collector for that Year —

Mr. Sever Scollay & Little a Committee to procure a new Engine for the service of this Town with the utmost expedition —

Mr. Walley Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to order a passage way of twenty feet leading from Atkinsons Street to the Rope Walks belonging to the Town, & now improved by the Heirs of Meletiah Bourn, & that the Way be immediately laid open —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 31st. [1793]
Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Bulfinch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

[38.] Thomas Emmons applies for being appointed an Inspector of Barreld Fish, Pork & Beef, pickled, his recommendation on file —

Mr. Walley, Colo. Crafts, Mr. Little & Colo. Scollay a Committee on the Personal application of Mr. John Codman, who are to take immediate measures for the speedy pavement of Kilby Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 7th. [1793]
Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Walley, Scollay, Little,

At the last Meeting of the Selectmen, the Return from the Justices of the Court of Sessions, of the Persons which were licensed as Inholders & Retailers for the Year 1792 was considered and acted upon by the Selectmen — and a Return made thereon as required by Law —

On application of Capt. Enoch James of Engine No. 10 — he is allowed for 2 Premiums on the Fires at Mr. Richards & one at the Green Dragon —

drawn for

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 12th [1793]
Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Walley, Edwards,

The Selectmen have agreed to Visit Deer Island on Fryday next — being 16th — at ½ past 7 precisely —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 14th [1793]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Walley, Bulfinch, Scollay, Price,

Mr. Price Mr. Walley, & Colo. Crafts a Committee to make an Estimate of the charge of removing the Town Pump and to confer with the Abutters relative to their contributing to effect the same. & to Report to the Selectmen Wednesday next —

Edward Bell to have a draft next Draft Day for Fifty Pounds in part for paving Union Street —

Memo. no draft given

[**39.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 21 [1793] Present Mess: Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay, Boardman,

The Town Clerk is directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday next being the 26 Ins^{t} 3. O Clock P: M: —

M^{r}. Coverly to have the printing of the Notifications — M^{r}. Edes & Son

M^{r}. William Dawes acquaints that a Polly Crow from Salem is come to live with him as a Maid

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 23^{d} [1793] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Bulfinch, Walley, Little —

Selectmen met and examined the List of Jurors rec^{d} from the Assessors, as also the Assessors Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26th. [*sic.*] [1793] Present [Mess:] Sever, Little, Crafts, Boardman,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6. p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows - - - Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	12	6
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	8	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}. - -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 28. 1793 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts

[**40.**] Four extra Jurors drawn from the Superior Box and entred and posted up in Jury Book

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 2^{d}. 1793 Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Little, Walley, Bulfinch —

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Draft for last Month, being finished, the same was immediately handed in to the Town Treasurer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 4 [1793] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Walley, Crafts, Bulfinch, Price.

M^{r}. Sever, Crafts & Scollay a Committee to take measures to remove the manure from the Frog Pond in the Common —

— also

The above Committee to make what Repairs are necessary on

the Neck, so far as the Town is obliged to Repair — also to see the 1400 feet put into order agreable to contract — and that said Contract on the part of the Abuttors be fully complied with — and all the encumbrances on the West side of the Neck be removed —

Mr. Little is appointed Superintendent of the Lamps for the remainder of the Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 7. 1793 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Edwards, Bullfinch, Scollay, Little, Crafts,

Ordered that a Warrant be issued for a Town Meeting Wednesday next 3. o: Clock P: M: —

Mr. Coverly had the printing of the Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 10th Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch,

Information given the Selectmen that the Schooner Neptune owned by Messrs: Mungo Mackey & Mr. John Ward had arrived from Martineque, the Capt. having died 8 Days since with the Yellow Fever, & the [**41.**] Mate dangerously ill of the said Distemper — said Vessel left Marteneque, 22 Days since — on this Information & a conformation by the report of young Dr. Rand, sent on board by Dr. Lloyd — the Vessell was ordered for Rainsfords Island immediately, and an order given Capt. Laha to recieve the People & proceed as usual with Vessells having infectious Distempers on board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 11. [1793] Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Bulfinch, Little, Walley,

Business of Meeting, adjourned to Monday next 4 O Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 16 [1793] Present Messrs: Crafts, Boardman, Little, Edwards, Scollay, Walley, Sever,

On consideration of the vote of the Town at their late Meeting relative to Lynn Street —

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to carry said Vote into execution by hiring a Person to Survey the Land &c —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 18. 1793 Present Mess: Price, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Bulfinch, Edwards,

Upon application of the Directors of West Boston Bridge that the part of Cambridge Street leading from Bowdoin Square to the new Pavement at the bottom of Temple Street may be paved —

Voted, that sixty pounds be allowed by the Selectmen on the part of the Town in addition to the sum of £200 — which was voted by the Town for compleating the high way leading from the Bridge into the Town — provided the side Walks be paved with Brick or flat Stones similar to Union Street, and to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

[42.] Col°. Crafts Mr. Little & Col°. Scollay a Committee to Lease the Shoe Stalls —

Mr. John Just Geyer, allowed to erect a Tomb in the Common Burying Ground, under the direction of Mr. Sever,

Col°. Crafts & Col°. Scollay, a Committee on Mr. Bradlees Drain —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21st [1793] A: M. Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

The Sloop Peggy Capt. Porter from Philadelphia stopt at Castle William by Col°. Perkins who gives the information — The Sloop ordered to Rainsfords Island, & directions given Capt. Laha to proceed with more caution than in the Small Pox

Passed upon Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Alms house State Account, amounting to £ 326 ·· 6 ·· 3 — a Copy not yet given in, to be placed on file —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21 [1793] P. M. Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,

The Selectmen having recieved the Resolves of the General Court, relative to preventing as far as prudence will suggest, the reception of the malignant Distemper raging at Philadelphia as also the Proclamation Just issued by the Governor on the occasion and having considered the same —

Josiah Waters Esq. was appointed a *Health Officer* — and was immediately furnished with written directions to stop & examine all Persons their Baggage Merchandize or effects coming into this Town from Philadelphia or any other infected place & to stop such, untill he has given information to the Selectmen, and received such directions as in their Judgement they may deem best. —

[43.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sabbath Eveg. [Sepr 22. 1793] Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Bulfinch,

As one good precaution against the reception of the infectious Distemper prevailing in Philadelphia &c

Voted, That all Persons coming from Philadelphia or any other Places infected or supposed to be infected, with any contageous disorder — to be sent to Rainsfords Island, with their Effects Baggage & Merchandize — to be detained there untill further Orders —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 23d. 1793 A: M: Present Messrs: Boardman, Bulfinch, Price, Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Little,

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Scollay a Committee to wait on the Governor, to request that a Military Guard may be ordered, at the different Avenues of the Town, to prevent the entrance of any Persons, from Philadelphia or other Infected Places —

The Selectmen of the Town of Boston in conformity to the

Resolves of the General Court of the 20th. Inst. "that effectual measures should be adopted to prevent the introduction of the infectious disease now prevalent in Philadelphia, into this Commonwealth" — and by the Authority conferred by the said Resolves — Have adopted the following regulations —

All Persons who may arrive at Boston Neck, or Charles River Bridge from any place south of Connecticut River, or from New York by the Providence Road, or otherwise by Land or Water, shall be detained & examined with their Effects Baggage & Merchandize —

If upon examination any Person or Persons shall be found to have come from Philadelphia or any other place infected or supposed to be infected — (the above reconsidered) — see Septem^r. 24th—

Col^o. Crafts Edwards & Little a Committee to take into consideration what is proper to be done —

[**44.**] Jury Men chosen for Circuit District Courts and for Court of Sessions & Common Pleas — and the same were entred, & posted up in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24. 1793 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Crafts. Bulfinch, Little, Scollay.

Col^o. Crafts having Reported as Chairman of the Committee, to consider what is proper to be done by the Selectmen in pursuance of the Duty assigned them by the General Court — the following Regulations & Votes — the same were adopted by the Board — viz —

The Selectmen of the Town of Boston in conformity to the Resolves of the General Court of the 20th Instant, that "effectual measures should be adopted to prevent the introduction of the infectious Disease now prevalent in Philadelphia, into this Commonwealth" — and by the Authority conferred by the said Resolves — *Have adopted the following Regulations*

Upon any Vessells arriving in the Harbour of *Boston* from *Philadelphia*, or any place supposed to be infected, she shall be detained at Anchor in some convenient place near *Rainsfords* Island, & there perform Quarantine, not exceeding thirty Days; during which time she shall be duly washed with Vinegar, & cleansed by the explosion of Gun Powder between Decks & in the Cabin, by the People detained there — notwithstanding there are no Persons on board sick with the disease —

But if there are, or have been any Persons who have been sick on board the Vessell they shall be removed immediately to another Vessell, or to *Rainsfords* Island, where they shall be detained, till they recover, or have remained long enough to ascertain that they have not received the Infection —

[**45.**] Every Vessell, under Quarantine, as well as the Hospital Ship, shall be distinguished by a large red Flag, at least a Yard Square, displayed at the Mast-Head —

Every Vessel under these Circumstances, shall be deprived of its Boat; nor shall any Boat or Vessel be permitted to approach them, but by special permission of the Selectmen, in order to intercept all Communication between the sick & the Inhabitants,

If any Person shall escape from the Ship or Island, he shall be instantly advertized, in order that he may be apprehended, & returned to the Vessel or Island from whence he so escaped —

At the arrival of any Vessel, notwithstanding there are no Persons sick on board; should any Person have died on her passage the same precautions shall be taken as if the disease was in actual existence

All Persons who may arrive at *Boston* Neck, or *Charles River Bridge*, from any place south of *Connecticut* River, or from *New York* by the Providence road or otherways by Land, shall be detained & examined, with their effects baggage & merchandize at the places appropriated by the Health Officer & his Assistants —

If upon examination, any Person or Persons shall be found to come from Philadelphia or any other place infected or supposed to be infected, they shall not be permitted to enter the Town, untill twenty one Days after such examination; but shall be conveyed to a place appointed for their reception — That effects baggage & merchandize shall be there opened, washed & [**46.**] Fumigated with Vinegar & repeated explosions of Gun Powder —

And whereas it is the command of the benevolent *Being*, who created us & also the first dictate of the Law of Nature, to preserve our own lives & the lives of others: The Selectmen most earnestly call upon the Inhabitants to use their utmost vigilance & activity in detecting and bringing to condign punishment any Person who shall be so daring and lost to every Idea of Humanity, as to come into this Town, either by Land or Water, from any place supposed to be infected, thereby endangering the Lives of their Fellow-Men —

The above was published & signed

By order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER. Town Clerk

Voted, that the House on Boston Neck formerly called the George Tavern — and the Store near Charles River Bridge belonging to Capt. Silas Atkins, be appropriated for the purpose of detaining all Persons their effects, baggage & Merchandize for examination or cleansing —

Voted, that the Health Officer recommend such a number of Persons as shall be thought necessary by the Selectmen to keep guard at the Neck & Bridge & when approved of by the Selectmen — that they be served with a Copy of the Instructions which the said Officer shall receive; and should there be a military watch the commanding Officer shall be served with a copy of said instructions by the health Officer, to whom he is to make report; and the civil & military guards shall make said instructions their rule & guide in the discharge of their duty. And it shall be the duty of the Health Officer & he is hereby ordered & directed to make Report to the Chairman of the Selectmen every Morning at 10. o: Clock in the Forenoon of all occurrances that have taken place, & at all other times [**47.**] when anything particular or extraordinary shall happen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 25. 1793 Present [Mess:] Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

The Assessors acquaint the Selectmen that the Tax Bills are now ready to be delivered the Collectors when it is made appear to them, that they are duly qualified

Passed upon Jesse Houghtons State Accounts am° as p Copy on file to £12..19.2d

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 28. 1793 Present Mess: Edwards, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Boardman, Little,

John Jutau approved of as an Auchtioneer for this Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29. 1793 Sabbath A: M: Present Mess: Boardman, Crafts, Bulfinch, Edwards, Little,

Voted, that Rainsfords Island be assigned for the reception of all Persons coming from Philadelphia or any other place infected or supposed to be infected. —

The Health Officer having made Report that 10 Persons are detained at the entrance of the Town; who arrived last Evening from various places South of Connecticut River

Voted, that the health Officer be directed to request the attendance of any two Physicians to examine the Persons & Baggage of such of the above mentioned, as are from New York or any place other than Philadelphia — Upon their Report of safety to the health Officer, that he permit them to pass into the Town —

Voted, that every Person from Philadelphia be sent with their Baggage &c. to Rainsfords Island —

The Health Officer with Drs. Appleton and Dexter, proceeded, agreable to the above Vote, to make examination &c.

[48.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 30 [1793] Present Mess: Sever, Crafts, Price,

Ordered that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that twelve pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt.—

	lb	oz	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	12	6
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	8	12
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh - - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal d°	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian d° -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts—

Mr. Thomas Bayley a Collector for the present Year proposes, his Bondsmen of the last Year for the present

Mr. James Thompson a Collector of Taxes proposes Leonard Jarvis Esq. & Nathan Spear Junr. Mercht. as his Bondsmen for the present Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 1st [1793] 9 o Clock A: M: Present Messrs: Crafts, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 1 — 12. o C. Noon Present Messrs: Price, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch,

Additional Instructions to the Health Officer

That all Persons coming from Bedford, Providence or any other parts south of Connecticut River, after being examined — and cleansed with Vinegar & explosions of Gun Powder and under the same or nearly the same predicament of those who were examined on the last Sunday by the two Physicians shall be permitted to come into Boston as well by the guard as if the health Officer were present —

That all Persons so coming into Town shall leave their Names, the places where they come from, and at what Places they put up at Boston —

[**49.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 2 [1793] Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay, Price, Crafts,

M^{r}. Henderson proposes for his Bondsmen as Collector the same as he had the last Year —

Passed upon other Accounts, & determined upon the Assize of Bread as entered the 30 of September last

The following Vote was passed on the Yesterday

Voted, that the Thanks of the Selectmen be presented to his Excellency the Governor for his attention in placing a military Guard at the Avenues of the Town — and request him to remove the same, they having provided a civil one, for that purpose —

Capt. Benjamin Berry of Sloop Sally from New York the 30 of Sepr. owned by M^{r}. Little, having nothing on board liable to infection & having had no sickness either before or after he had left N. York which was on the 17th. of Septem^{r}. last — is permitted to come to Town provided D^{r}. Rand who is requested to inspect the Vessel shall make report that in his opinion, there will be no danger to the Inhabitants —

M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to provide a suitable Person to go to Rainsfords Island in case of necessity

M^{r}. Price & M^{r}. Crafts a Committee to make drafts on the Treasurer for such small Sums as may be necessary, to defray charges on the Neck & else where for the safety of the Inhabitants —

A Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting on Monday next 10. o Clock A: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr 6 [1793] — Sabbath. A: M: Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Scollay, Little, Bulfinch, Edwards,

[**50.**] Boston October 6. 1793 —

Capt. Nathl. B. Lyde

—You are directed to receive into your Boat M^{r}. and M^{rs}. Horton & Master Thom^{s}. Preston with their Good & Effects, and put them on board Capt. Phillips Vessel laying near Rainsfords Island or the Vessel they came in from Philadelphia — You are desired to stop at the Castle & to deliver Capt. Perkins the Letter handed you for him —

By Order of the Selectmen

William Cooper Town Clerk

The following are the orders given Capt. Lyde —

Boston October 3. 1793

Capt. Nathaniel B. Lyde

You being appointed to take the charge of all Persons that may be sent to Rainsfords Island you will receive the State Boat to be under your care and Capt. Laha will accommodate you with a Room or Rooms as will make it convenient — You will also follow the printed Instructions herewith inclosed as far as they concern your particular duty; and it is expected that you communicate to the Selectmen as often as may be, any occurrences that may arise to impede the same —

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sabbath Even^{g}. [Oct. 6, 1793] Present Messrs: Crafts, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Price,

General Knox & Servant now at Providence, are permitted to come to this Town, as he will have been twenty one Days from Philadelphia & performed Quarantine at the Jerseys, as by a Certificate from the Gentlemen of the Committee of Health at N. York will appear —

Lords Day October 6. 1793

Col^{o}. William Perkins

— Whereas by the existing Laws & the Resolves of the Legislature of this Commonwealth passed September 20th The Selectmen of each Town are authorized & impowered to detain & remove any Persons [51.] Their Effects Baggage or Merchandize & to appoint places for the detention of them & to make such Regulations and restrictions as they may Judge proper, & for so long a time as they may Judge necessary for the publick safety — and to call upon all Persons whether Civil or Military to assist in putting the same into execution — and whereas on the 24. of Septem^{r}. the Selectmen made & published the inclosed regulations; notwithstanding which a Capt. Cheeseman & Capt. Phillips both laying with their Vessells off or near Rainsfords Island have had the audacity to refuse a compliance with said Regulations by going on shore themselves & refusing to have their Boats taken from them — We do therefore by Virtue of the said Laws & Resolves call upon you & request, that you would take such an armed force as you think necessary from the Garrison under your command & proceed to the said two Vessells and inforce a compliance with these our regulations — you l also please to assist Capt. Lyde by whom this will be handed to you in putting on board M^{r}. & M^{rs}. Horton & Master Thomas Preston who have been landed from on Board said Philips Vessell.

The above was signed by the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen June 7 [1793] A: M Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Met to confer with the Committee to aid & assist the Selectmen, with respect to the measures for preventing a communication of the Infectious illness raging at Philadelphia —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 7. [1793] At Noon — Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

The Selectmen, met a Sub Committee from the aforenamed Committee

[**52.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. [7, 1793] P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Met a Committee from the Selectmen of Roxbury in order to consult on further measures for prevention of the introduction of the disease prevalent at Philadelphia —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 9. [1793] P: M: Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Price, Sever, Crafts,

M^{r}. Jepson Collector of Taxes for the present Year proposes Elisha Sigorney Merch^{t}. and Benjamin Sumner Senr. Trader as his Bondsmen —

Passed upon Accounts —

Voted, that twenty one pounds be paid for a Horse for the use of the health Officer, who requires one to perform his duty to advantage, and to purchase is much cheaper than to hire

Ordered that a Warrant be issued for a Town Mee[ting] on Fryday next 10. O Clock A: M

Mem^{o}. there was no printed Notifications —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 9. [1793] 12 o Clock Present Mess: Price, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

Boston October 9th. 1793

Capt. Lyde

Sir — You will proceed to the two Vessells detained at Rainsfords Island, & enquire into their present situation; and if you cannot find any sickness on board & are satisfied they have complied with the regulations in burning Gun Powder, washing with Vinegar &^{c}. you may in such case let them have the Boats which had been taken from them & also permit them to go on shore at Rainsfords Island, to the Wellhouse so called, provided they will engage [**53.**] to go no where else, without our further permission — You must inform the Masters, Crew, & Passengers, that if they attempt to exceed these limits, they will again be confined to their Vessells — Report is to be made to us on your return

By Order
EZEKIEL PRICE Chairman

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 10th. [1793] A: M Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Bulfinch, Scollay, Little,

Capt. Uriah Green of Schooner Henry from Richmond Virginia attended, & acquainted the Selectmen, that one Man lay dead on board with the Fever & Ague, and he had another sick of the same disorder — whereupon he was directed to cause the Person dead to be buried on one of the Islands — and to send the other

to Rainsfords Island — also to cleanse his Vessell with Vinegar & explosions of Gun Powder and to remain in the Stream untill further Orders. —

Capt. Laha Keeper of the State Hospital at Rainsfords Island, was directed to receive the sick man aforementioned into the Hospital under his care —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 10. in the Evening Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

Met on account of Evidence having been obtained of a Mr. Foster who had passed through this Town to Wilmington, where was his home, without giving the information, that he had been in Philadelphia seven Days ago

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 11. 1793 — Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

A representation being made of the State of Capt. Cheesmans Vessell, which has lain below for some Days past that there was no sickness on board, neither had been either before or after she had left Philadelphia — two Physicians were appointed to make inspection & Report their opinion —

[**54.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 11. [1793] P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Upon the representation made of the Virginia Vessell by Capt. Lyde, she is permitted to come up to Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 12 [1793] Present [Messrs] Price, Boardman, Sever,

Upon the representation made by two Doctors of the state of Capt. Cheesemans Vessel from Philadelphia some time past — she was permitted to come up to Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 13 Sabbath A: M Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Bulfinch,

Received Reports from health Officer & from Capt. John Mackay of his arrival from Philadelphia in the Briggne. Fusilier at Rainsfords Island, all well on board & no sickness before or after they had left Philadelphia

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 16. 1793 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Price,

Burrel Carnes & several of the Family, having health Certificates from N. York, & had been several Days with Revd. Mr. Carnes at Lyn; were permitted to come to Town by the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 16. [1793] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Sever, Edwards,

John Gorden from Virginia, who has been at Rainsfords Island with the Fever & Ague for some Days is permitted with his Wife that attended him to leave the Island — the Doctors Jarvis & Rand having Reported, that there was no contageous Distemper on board the Vessel he came in —

[**55.**] Eliphalet Kimble is permitted to leave Rainsfords Island —

Col°. Crafts, M^r. Edwards & Col°. Scollay a Committee to confer with the French Consul relative to some disorders between the People of the Marseils & some British Seamen —

The Selectmen approve of the Persons proposed by the Collectors of Taxes for the present Year as their Bondsmen — and the Town Clerk is directed to prepare the Bonds for executing, and when they are executed to furnish them with Certificates for receiving the Tax Books of the Assessors

The aforegoing Committee having waited upon the Council, [*sic*] were informed by the Consul that an ordinance should be issued on the Morrow — in order to remedy the evil complained of —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 19. [1793] A: M: Present Mess: Boardman, Crafts, Little, Price, Edwards —

Capt. Mackay of the Brigantine Fusilier from Philadelphia detained at Rainsfords Island, having by the representations made the Selectmen been sufficiently smoked & cleansed, — and though no sickness of any kind has been on board, and it being more than 21 Days since she left Philadelphia, having lain about 20 Miles from the City — Liberty was granted, for her leaving the Island & coming up to the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r 19. [1793] P: M: Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little —

The following Letter was agreed upon by the Selectmen

[**56.**] Boston October 19.1793 —

John C. Jones Esq

Sir In consequence of your application to us on the subject of a Vessel intended to be sent to Philadelphia with Articles for the relief of our distressed Brethren there, representing the difficulty of procuring a Vessel for the purpose on account of their being obliged to perform Quarantine on their return. We hereby Certify to you that you may assure the Owners Master & Mariners of any Vessell to be procured, as in your letter expressed, the loading to be by them conveyed shall be delivered at least 20 Miles distant from Philadelphia, that the said Vessel Captain & Mariners do not approach at any time nearer thereto, or otherwise become exposed to the probability of receiving the Infection, and that no Person or Baggage or any Article of Merchandize be taken or admitted on board the same Vessel from Philadelphia that in such case it will not be required on their return that they perform Quarantine

Signed by a majority of Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 21 [1793] A: M: Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Agreed upon a Report as a Committee of the Town relative to Lynn Street, to be laid before them at their Meeting of this Day —

William Alline applys to the Selectmen that he may be appointed as an Auchtioneer for the Town of Boston —

Mem^{o}. did not receive one —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 23^{d} [1793] Present Messrs: Sever,

Capt. Laha informs of the arrival of Capt. Hill in Schooner at Rainsfords Island, she has [**57.**] had ten Days passage, Cargo unknown, and has about fifteen Passengers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 24 1793 Present [Mess:] Sever, Crafts, Little, Bulfinch, Scollay,

Voted, that M^{r}. Bantam & his Wife be permitted to come up from Rainsfords Island, being as represented, only sick of the Dissentry — and free from danger of communicating any infectious disorder —

Voted that M^{r}. Price & M^{r}. Crafts be Requested to direct Capt. Lyde to go to Rainsfords Island with the Boat at least every other Day, to enquire into the State of all Persons residing there & to Report to the Chairman of the Board —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 25 [1793] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, —

The following directions were given Capt. Lyde — Viz^{t}.

Sir

You will proceed to Rainsfords Island as soon as may be and permit Capt. Hills to have his Boat — He & his Men with all Passengers on board are also allowed to land on the Island to keep in the sick House so called untill further orders on condition of a full & prompt compliance with the regulations in that case made — It is expected that Capt. Hills transmit to the Board of Selectmen (by Capt. Lyde) a perfect and accurate Account of the Contents of his Cargo — the situation of his Passengers their Goods & Effects on board, and as near as possible their Places of abode while at Philadelphia —

By Order of the Selectmen

Thomas Crafts

[**58.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Oct, 28, 1793] A: M: Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Bulfinch,

D^{r}. Warren represents that he had been on board Sloop Henry Jonathan Elwell Master last from New Providence, & finds that two Persons have died on the Passage, in twelve Days from their sayling & 7 Days from each other the last 10 Days ago & their passage 30 Days that as in his opinion the illness was not infectious or of a kind to communicate the disorder, & that she might come up with safety, — but to guard against all possibility of a

communication — he recommended the fumigating & explosions of Gun Powder, & Clothing Bedding & such like Articles, should be cleansed in the usual manner —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 28th. [1793] P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

Passed upon Accounts for 30 Septem^{r}. —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains and livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	12	6
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	8	12
a 4^{d} Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - -	—	8	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian must weigh - -	3	—	—

Col^{o}. Waters directed to see to the cleansing of Capt. Elwells Sloop, agreable to the recommendation of D^{r}. Warren, on file

[**59.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 29 [1793] Present Mess: Little, Scollay, Boardman, Edwards, —

The business of the Meeting referred untill to Morrow

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 30 [1793] Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Price, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay —

Passed upon other Accounts —

M^{r}. Sever to procure Wood for the South School —

Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay for the Center Schools —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little for the North Schools —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^{r}. 29 [1793] Present Mess: Walley, Sever, Price, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay,

The following Orders were this Day given to Capt. Lyde — Viz^{t}. —

You are to proceed to Rainsfords Island as soon as may be & inform Capt. Hills his People & Passengers that in consequence of their strict & prompt compliance with the regulations of the Selectmen, they are permitted to go at large on the Island untill further orders — The 3 Bales of Goods belonging to Jesse Putnam, are to be landed opened & fumagated with Vinegar & explosions of Gun Powder — the Goods belonging to John Babcock & James Tisdale to be landed & cleansed as above., as also whatever Goods or Effects Stephen Thomas has on board — As M^{r}. & M^{rs}. Babcock & Child have lived in the City of Philadelphia particular care must be taken respecting their Goods & Clothing that they be well cleansed — And as it would be unnecessary to

enumerate any other Persons names, it is expected & directed. that every

[60.] Article belonging to all Persons on board be fumigated with Vinegar, & repeated explosions of Gun Powder and cleansed to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, before the said Schooner will be permitted to come up to Boston. Capt. Lyde will continue on the Island or take such measures as will enable him to Report to the Selectmen, that a strict compliance has been had to the aforegoing directions. — You will inform all Persons who have Goods on board Capt. Hills Vessell belonging to Boston, with these Orders, that there may be a strict conformity to the same —

Thomas Crafts,
p Order of the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 1st [1793]
Present Mess: Sever, Scollay, Boardman,
Met the School Committee

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 4 [1793]
Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Sever, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts

The Guards, on the Neck & Charles River Bridge are dismissed from any further service

sent

Mr. Sever, Scollay & Little a Committee to procure a new Engine for the service of the Town — and also to take charge of the two useless Engines at West Boston, and dispose of them to the best advantage of the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 6. 1793
Present Messrs: Edwards, Scollay,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 13. 1793
Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Scollay —

[61.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 15 [1793] Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Boardman, Walley, Price, Crafts, Little —

Passed upon other Accounts —

Voted, that the same Committee which employ'd Capt. Lyde be requested to dismiss him & having no farther occasion for the use of the Boats, that they be again returned to Capt. Laha —

Mr. Crafts, Scollay & Walley a Commte. to remove such incumbrances as they shall Judge proper, from Atkinsons Street to the Rope Walk, —

Colo. Waters is requested to dispose of the Horse purchased for the use of the Town, for the most it will fetch —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 18. 1793
Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Scollay, Little, Price,

Mr. Silas Atkins informs the Selectmen that the Schooner In-

dustry owned by himself & others Christopher Slocum Master, arrived at the Castle having parted her Cable in the Storm last Night, in 36 Days from Gaudaloop loaded with Molasses Sugar, Coffee & 4 Bags of Cotton in the hold of the Vessell — that about the 1st. of October 3 of the Sailors were Inoculated for the Small Pox, that they had it favourably & recovered. & that about 20 Days ago one by his imprudence in the use of Spirituous Liquors, got a relapse & died suddenly. — that the Captain soon after proceeded to smoke & cleanse the Vessel & that every thing belonging to the deceased Person capable of retaining the Infection was thrown over board & every precaution taken in the cleansing, Vessel &c. as the Captains Family at the Vine Yard [**62.**] were all liable to receive the Distemper —

Capt. Laha was directed to recive from Capt. Slocums Vessel every thing on board liable to Infection, for cleansing — and upon the return of a Certificate from a Physician who shall examine said Vessell that she may come up to Town with safety to the Inhabitants — the Chairman Mr. Price is to give Capt. Slocum a Certificate for said purpose

A Schooner from St. Croix Capt. Mackay having been examined by Dr. Warren, and it appearing to him that she may come to the Wharff with safety Colo. Waters is allowed to permit the same —

Capt. Makepeace Brigne. from Philadelphia having been also examined by Dr. Warren is permitted to come to the Wharff, after having been smoked with Gun Powder & washed with Vinegar under the inspection of Colo. Waters is permitted to come up to Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 19 [1793]
Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Little, Sever, Scollay, Crafts,

Capt. Lydes Order to deliver Boats and Capt. Lahas Receipt placed on the files —

Benjamin Bayley informs that an Apprentice of his is taken with the Small Pox in his House, his Father appearing, it was recommended to him to take his Son to the Hospital at Brooklyne, otherwise, that he must be sent to Rainsfords Island —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 20t. 1793
Present Mess: Walley, Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Little

[**63.**] Mr. Bayleys Servant with the Small Pox, was this Morning sent to the Hospital at Brooklyne, agreable to the recommendation of the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 25 [1793]
Present Mess: Crafts, Sever, Boardman, Little, Walley,

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb	oz.	dr
A 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	12	6
a 4d. Loaf of ditto must weigh	1	8	12

	lb	oz.	dr
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh	—	8	4
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of ditto not above ½ Indian - - - do.	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

The Committee to settle Capt. Homers Account are appointed to settle Colo. Waters's — Edwards,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 27 [1793] — Present Mess: Scollay, Walley, Crafts, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Nazro is directed to require the attendance of Mr. Jones & Mr. Foster, next sitting Day —

The different Collectors are to be called upon to give in to the Selectmen Wednesday an accot of their Collections to that Day

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 4 [1793] Present Messrs: Scollay, Bulfinch, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

[**64.**] The several Collectors of Taxes laid before the Selectmen an Account of their respective Collections, except Mr. Blanchard —

Passed upon other Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 11th [1793] Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Bulfinch, Crafts,

Passed upon Petitions of a number of Licensed Persons

Mr. Blanchard a Collector laid his Accots. before the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 18 [1793] Present Messrs: Edwards, Scollay,

The Weather such as prevented a Board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 23 [1793] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Edwards,

Jurymen chosen for Court Common Pleas &c drawn and entered on Jury Records —

Colo. Crafts Scollay & Edwards a Committee to apply to Keeper of Powder House to know the Town Stock of Powder in the Powder House — also to make enquiry what Military Stores have been lent to Government, & what is now in their possession

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. [30, 1793] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Sever, Edwards, Scollay,

Passed upon Accounts —

Caleb Blanchard a Collector for 1791. having produced Receipts from the Town County & State, that he had paid the full of the Taxes for said Year — Town Clerk is directed to deliver him his Bonds as Collector

[**65.**] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows - - - Viz^{t}. —

a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto must weigh	1	7	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh	—	7	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 1. 1794 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Agreed that M^{r}. Bradlee who hires Cellar under Town House, pay as Rent to the first of March next £40 — p Annum, and after that time at the rate of £45 — p Annum —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 8. 1794 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Passed upon M^{rs}. Lydia Dodge State Account amounting to £4. 16/. being for support of one M^{c}.Cormick a sick Stranger, & destitute of support

M^{r}. Enoch May appointed to Collect the Cow Money in the room of M^{r}. White who had been appointed for that purpose, but whose health will not allow him to discharge the duty

Sweep Badges N°. 14 .. 20. delivered M^{r}. David Knapp —

[**66.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 15th. 1794 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Little,

Application for Licenses —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 22^{d}. [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Jany. 27, 1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Little, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ — p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows - - - Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto, must weigh	1	7	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread, must weigh	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh	—	7	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal — d^{o}. - - -	3	—	—

Passed upon William Moors State Account amounting to £7 — no Copy left

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 29th [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Scollay, Boardman, Crafts,
Passed upon other Accounts —
15 Grand Jurors & 20 Petit Jurors, the latter drawn the former chosen by ballot & entered & posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 5. 1794 Present Messrs: Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,

[67.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 12th [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Scollay, Crafts, Little,
Passed upon M^{r}. Samuel Whitwell Keeper of the Almshouse's State Account amounting to four hundred sixty eight pounds 8/ 10^{d} — No Copy as yet received —
Passed upon M^{r}. Jessee Houghtons State Account amounting to Eight pounds 10/ 4^{d}. as p Copy on file —
Passed upon Capt. Samuel Lahas State Account amounting in the whole to £18 — 15. 2 — as p Copy on file — passed 5^{t}. Ins^{t}. —
Col^{o}. Crafts, Col^{o}. Scollay, M^{r}. Edwards, Little & Sever — a Committee to attend a Committee of the General Account, [*sic*] in order for a settlement this Towns Account with the State —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 14 [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,
The Selectmen passed upon Physicians State Acco^{ts}. for charge of Inoculating Strangers in the course of the late Small Pox — Viz^{t}. — & Certificates given —

	D^{r}. Danforth's	Acco^{t}.	£3	3	—
	D^{r}. Rand	d^{o}	11	17	6
	D^{r}. Warren	d^{o}	22	1	—
	D^{r}. Kast	d^{o}	18	18	—
	D^{r}. Homans	d^{o}	12	3	—
	D^{r}. Appleton	d^{o}	15	15	—
	D^{r}. Rogerson	d^{o}	8	2	—
	D^{r}. Spooner	d^{o}	22	1	—
	D^{r}. Welsh	d^{o}	27		—
[68.]	D^{r}. Winship	d^{o}	8	2	—
	D^{r}. Fleet	d^{o}	30	6	—
	D^{r}. Howard	d^{o}	11	5	—
	D^{r}. Rand	d^{o}	4	10	—
	D^{r}. Cheever	d^{o}	4	1	—
	D^{r}. Insley	d^{o}	9	9	—
	D^{r}. Stimpson	d^{o}	1	16	—
	D^{r}. Pearson	d^{o}	1	7	—
	D^{r}. Alex^{r}. Peter	d^{o}	—	9	—
		Amount	£212..	5.	6

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 19. 1794
Present Mess: Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little,
The draught for Jany. examined by M^{r}. Scollay and then sent to Town Treasurer
Passed upon Jonathan Stodders State Acco^{t}. am^{o}. to £1 .. 13. 11 — no Copy as yet lodged —
Passed upon D^{r}. Welshs 2^{d} State Account am^{o}. to £20. 17 .. 3. as p Copy on file —
Col^{o}. Waters who has hitherto improved the Horse bought for the use of the Town in their service has the liberty to take said Horse to himself for the Sum he paid for the same

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 24 [1794]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay,
The Town Meeting did not allow of passing Accounts this Day —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 26. 1794
Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Boardman,
Passed upon Accounts
M^{r}. Collector Henderson having produced Receipt in full for Tax of 1792. Town Clerk is directed to deliver him his Bonds —
[**69.**] ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb	oz.	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of White Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	8	—
a 4^{d}. Ditto not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal d^{o}. - - - -	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28. 1794
Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Boardman, Crafts, Little,
Ordered, that a Warrant be prepared for calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants on the 10th. of March Ins^{t}. 10. O'Clock A: M:
Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Little a Committee to wait on Rev^{d}. D^{r}. Lothrop — to request his opening Town Meeting with Prayer
Messrs: Edes and Son to have the printing of the Notifications —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 3^{d}: [1794]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Edwards Little, Crafts,
Eight Extra Jurors drawn and entred & posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5 [1794]
Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little,
Passed upon other Accounts —
[**70.**] M^{r}. Sever having received of Mess: Placide & Martin for the Poor Inhabitants £ 6..12 — the same has been distributed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

To Negro Patience	-	3/	-	To Mr. Brazier	-	3/	£ 6	-
Josiah Wheeler	-	3/	-	Widow Corbet		3/	6	
Widow Orrell	- -	10/ 6	-	Mrs. Goold	-	3/	10	– 6
Mrs. Goold	- - -	0/	-	Mrs. Wilks	-	3/	3	—
Mrs. Wild	- - -	3/	-	Mrs. Swelslops		1/6	4	– 6
Mrs. Eustis	- -	1/6	-	Mrs. Brown	-	1/6	3	
Negro Peggy	- -	9d	-	Mrs. Scott	-	6/	6	– 9
Mrs. Campbell	- -	6/	-	Agnes Corbet		6/	12	
Widow Geyer	- -	6/	-	Molly Rice	-	6/	12	
Widow Dyke	- -	6/	-	Widow Milton		6/	12	
Widow Corbett	-	6/	-	Widow Fast		7/6	13	– 6
Betsy Nichols	- - - - -			- - - -			12	– 10
Mr. Martin sick Man		9/	-	Mr. Bradley	-	3/	12	
Mrs. Dwire	- - -	7/2d	-	Mrs. Bradley	-	7/	14	– 2
Negro Man	- - - - - -			- - - - -			—	– 9
							£ 6	" 12

The Selectmen agree that on Mr. Benjamin White paying eight Dollars to the Town Treasurer he is to have a Receit in full for the improvement of a Water Course hired of the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 12 [1794] Present Messrs: Scollay, Edwards, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 19th. [1794] Present Mess: Edwards, Boardman, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Little,

Capt. Will: Brown of Engine No. 1, for Premium at the Fire at Mr. Lymans Wharff — drawn

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to ascertain the Sums that are to be paid by a Vote of the Town for Lands taken into Lynn Street, from several of the Abuttors on said Street —

[**71.**] On the proposal of Judge Sullivan for giving two feet of Land adjoining Board Alley — The Selectmen are of opinion that at present it will not be for the interest of the Town to accept the proposal under the Conditions mentioned

On application of a Committee from a large number of Citizens, for the ringing the Bells of the Town on Tuesday next being the Day appointed for celebrating the success of the Arms of our good Allys the French — Mr. Nazro was directed to inform the Bell Ringers, at the hours when they should be rung —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 26 [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Scollay, Price, Little —

The Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 7th. of April next, being the Day assigned by the Constitution for the choice of Governor &c. —

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little — a Committee to wait on the Revd. Dr. Stillman — to request his opening the Town Meeting with prayer —

Messrs: Edes & Son to have the printing of the Notifications for Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 31st [1794] Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Edwards, Little.

Passed upon Accounts —

[72.] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb	oz	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	7	3
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do. -	3	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 2d [1794] Present Messrs: Little, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Price, Edwards & Scollay

Passed upon Accounts

Mr. David Lewis applies for the Collection of the Cow Money for the present Year —

Mess: Bayley, James Thompson & Benjamin Jepson having produced the Town Treasurers & County Treasr Receipt in full for the Sums committed to them to Collect for 1792 — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up their Bonds for said Year —

Capt. Alden Bass appointed a weigher of Onions in the room of Capt. John Ballard deceased

The Selectmen have directed that the Townhouse Watch be dismissed on the 15 of this Month —

Colo. Waters appointed as an Officer of Police for the Year ensuing —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 5 [1794] — A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Little, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards,

Information having been given the Selectmen that a Briggne. of Daniel Sergeant's has arrived from Barbadoes, having [73.] the Small Pox on board — Dr. Rand was desired to go on board the Vessell off Rainsfords Island, in order to examine & make Report —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 5. [1794] P: M: Present Mess: Price, Little, Edwards, Scollay, Crafts,

Mr. Sergeant informed as did also Capt. Laha, that the Brigg left Barbadoes 25 Days past, that four Days before their arrival they buried one John a French Man with the Small Pox — that they have only Ballast in the Vessell, and that no one who came in the Vessell are liable to retain the Infection the Briggne. is named the Betsy Joseph Saunders Master — Capt. Laha further Reports that the Clothing of the deceased has been flung over board, and the other Clothing as also the Bedding together with the Vessel has been so well smoked & cleansed as that she may

be permitted to come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants — Capt. Laha is permitted to let the Vessell come up on the Morrow, first taking on Shore for further airing, every thing likely to retain the Infection —

Orders were given Capt. Laha conformable to the aforegoing Order of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 9. 1794 Present Messrs. Sever, Price, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Passed upon Accompts —

Voted, that the whole Board be a Committee to take the most expeditious measures for having the sides of the Way leading into Boston, repaired as soon as may be

Voted, that the same Committee be desired to View the Dike on the Neck & Report what measures are necessary to be taken for repairing the same —

Voted, that the above Comm^{ee}. Report what it is necessary to be done to the Street called Orange, whether to repair & new pave it —

Town Treasurer & Town Clerk added to the Committee —

[**74.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 16th. [1794] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Little, Crafts, Scollay,

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to examine into the incroachments made on Fort Hill, and Report thereon —

M^{r}. Cargil has liberty to open a Drain from his House into the Common Shore — provided its repaired & paved to the approbation of the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Harmon applies to the Selectmen for their approbation of his erecting a Bake house in Prince Street

The Selectmen have agreed to request the Justices to attend on Monday next 4. OClock, to view the Ground proposed by M^{r}. Hammen for the Building a Bake house thereon —

Messrs. Boardman, Crafts, Little Scollay & Edwards to examine if any incroachments are made on Cold Lane —

The Selectmen have appointed the following Persons as a Watch for the Town House Watch so called,

John Pownall — Master
John Hatchmen —
Moses Burditt
James Gooch —
John Trevastey
David Corbett

Deacon Boardman M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{ee} to settle with the Fishermen all matters & things relating to the Boxes &^{c} —

M^{r}. Sever, Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Scollay, a Comm^{ee}. to repair the sides of the Way on the Neck —

The above are a Comm^{e}. to view the Pavement in Orange Street, and Report what is best to be done —

The above Committee to Report an Estimate of the repairs of the Dike &^{c}.

[**75.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 23d [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay,

Capt. Lovering of Engine No. 8. applies for the Premium allowed by the Town, for playing first on the Fire at Mr. Bradleys House South End —

Mr. Edward Brinley applys for liberty to open a Drain for repairing, from his House on Dock Square —

Liberty is given provided the Ground is restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Mr. Breed & Mr. Denni apply to the Selectmen for liberty to open their Drains for cleansing & repairing from their respective Houses New Boston —

Liberty is granted conditioned that the Ground be restored to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 28. 1794 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts,

Passed upon Accounts —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 6/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows - - - Vizt. —

	lb	oz.	dr
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - -		12	6
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - -	1	8	12
a 4d. Loaf of Brick Bread must weigh - - -	1	6	12
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - -	—	8	4
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	8	—
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do.	3	—	—

Colo. Crafts, Scollay & Sever a Committee on the Street near Mr. Kerklands Church — called Blind Lane —

Voted, that the several Selectmen in the several Wards Assigned them in the following statement be authorized to direct such Repairs &c. as may be [**76.**] necessary not exceeding ten pounds to any particular Person —

Mr. Little for Wards Nc. 1 & 2
Mr. Edwards - - - - 3 & 4
Mr. Boardman - - - 5 —
Mr. Bulfinch - - - - 6 & 7
Mr. Price & Crafts - - 8 & 9
Mr. Walley - - - - 10 —
Mr. Scollay - - - - 11 —
Mr. Sever - - - - - 12 —

Mr. Scollay & Mr. Little a Committee to see a Fence Erected between Mr. Carters School & the Stone House —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30th. [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Walley, Boardman, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

On application of Mr. Morse, Mr. Price, Walley & Boardman a

Committee to confer with Mr. Dolbear relative to a Nusance near his & the Town Buildings on Dock Square —

Colo. Amasa Davis has liberty to build a Tomb in the South Burial Ground — Mr. Sever to direct as to the place &c —

Colo. Crafts, & Mr. Scollay a Committee to enquire & Report a suitable Person to pronounce an Oration on the 4th. of July next in commemoration of the Independence of the United States —

Colo. Crafts, Scollay & Little a Committee to make enquiry & Report, relative to the procuring a number of Fire Arms —

The Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for Town Meeting for the choice of Representatives May 7. 1794 10. O Clock A M

Mr. Price & Colo. Crafts — a Committee to request the Revd Dr. Thatcher — to open the Town Meeting with Prayer —

Edes & Son has the printing of the Notifications

[77.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 7 — [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 14. 1794 Present Messrs: Edwards, Crafts, Price, Sever, Little,

Committee to procure an Orator for the 4th of July Report that they had applied to Mr. John Phillips as a suitable Person to deliver one — and he was accordingly appointed by the Selectmen —

Mr. William Alline applys for the approbation of the Selectmen, as an Auctioneer for the present Year — as does all the Auctioneers of the last year —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Edwards a Committee relative to raising a Street near a Cellar of Capt. Cooks —

Mr. Jonathan Amory applied for liberty to open & repair a Common Shore in Leaveret Street — whereupon he was directed first to notify all Persons interested in the same to shew cause if any they have why he should not proceed in the business & to state their objections before the Selectmen if any they have at the Selectmens Chamber on Monday next being the 19th. Inst. at 11 O: Clock Forenoon sent p Mr. Nazro —

Voted, that the lighting the Lamps in this Town be discontinued untill further Orders

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 16 — [1794] A: M: Present [Mess:] Walley, Sever, Edwards Crafts, Scollay,

The Fishermen that have held Stalls on Faneuil Market Square attended, and were fully acquainted by the Selectmen of the complaints of the Inhabitants, as to exorbitancy of price & engrosing Fish brought in by other Fishermen &c. &c. — they were then enformed that they are to hold their Stalls for a Week only, and that when any Just complaints shall be made of any Stall holder, he must expect to be excluded from a Stall — Mr. Gooch was directed to reinstate them in their respective Stalls —

The Selectmen have agreed to meet on Monday next, 11 OClock to Appoint Auctioneers for the present Year

[**78.**] Col°. Crafts is added to the Comm^ce^. for repairing the Wall between Centre School & M^r^. Cookes Stone house who are to agree for rebuilding the Fence in the best manner & the most advantageous term they are able —

The Comm^ce^. are directed — Viz^t^. Col°. Crafts M^r^. Edwards & M^r^. Scollay, to make such repairs on the Fences of the several Burial Grounds as they may Judge best —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 19 [1794] Present Messrs. Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Price, Scollay,

This being a Meeting appointed, for the approbation of Auctioneers, the following Persons, who had applied for the same, were accordingly approbated by the Selectmen — Viz^t^.

Messrs. Russell & Clap
p^d^. Lewis Hoyt
p^d^. Thomas K. Jones
p^d^. Joshua Eaton
p^d^. Robert Mollineux
James Eaton — does not take out
William Alline

This being the time appointed to consider the objections if any should be made to the application of M^r^. Jonathan Amory, for opening & repairing the Common Shore in Leaveret Street — No objections were made to the Selectmen by any Persons, to M^r^. Amorys proceeding in said business —

M^r^. Jonathan Amory has liberty to break Ground in order for laying a Drain in Leaverets Lane & Water Street — conditioned that he proceeds in all respects agreable to the Laws respecting the laying of Drains &^c^ —

M^r^. Walley Crafts & Scollay a Committe for directing the removal of Nusances near M^r^. Phillips Store on Olivers Dock —

[**79.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May [21, 1794] Present Messrs. Scollay, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Edwards,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^t^.

	lb	oz.	dr
a 2^d^. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - - -		10	14
a 4^d^. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - - -	1	5	12
a 4^d^. Loaf of white Brick Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	3	12
Biskets of 2 Copper price must weigh - - - - - - -	—	7	4
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d°. -	2	5	—
a 4^d^. Loaf of Brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d°. - -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Col°. Crafts M^r^. Sever & Col°. Scollay a Committee to view the

Slips belonging to the Town, and to act thereon as they shall Judge proper — Mr. Edwards is added to the Committee —

The Selectmen have agreed to meet at their Chamber on Fryday next 4. O'Clock P: M: in order to give Instructions to the Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market as to his procedure, agreable to a Vote of the Town at their late Meeting —

Mr. Edwards Colo. Scollay & Colo. Crafts a Committee to direct such repairs to the Cellar under the State House as they may Judge necessary —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23d [1794] Present Messrs. Price, Sever, Edward, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Walley, Boardman,

The Clerk of the Market is directed to prevent the following Persons from holding or occupying any Stall on Faneuil Hall Square. viz. Messrs. Garden & Wise — Shepherd & Alden Mr. Wilton. Mr. Hartwell Mr. Gore Mr. Paul Hall —) see new Vote over the leaf

Mr. Price Edwards & Crafts a Commee. to draw up Regulations for Faneuil Hall Market —

[**80.**] The Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market having represented to the Selectmen that the following Persons vizt. — Mess: Gardner & Wise, Shepherd & Alden, Mr. Wilton — Mr. Hartwell Mr. Gore & Mr. Paul Hall, are notoriously guilty of Fore Stalling the Market; the said Clerk is directed by the Selectmen agreable to the power, they are vested with by Law & the Votes of the Town to forbid & prevent their holding or occupying any Stall on Faneuil Hall Market Square —

sent

Mr. Edwards Scollay & Sever a Commee. to view Beacon Hill & Report what is necessary to be done for repairing the same —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 26 — 1794 Present Messrs: Edwards, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Price,

Passed upon Accounts —

It is Agreed, by the Selectmen that Treasurer Russell & others be allowed one quarter part of the expence of widening Federal Street, on Dr. Spragues Estate provided it does not exceed the sum of sixty pounds in the whole and is performed to the approbation of the Selectmen

The Selectmen have appointed Moses Burdett Constable for the State house Watch — and the following Persons as Watchmen — Vizt. —

John Hatchman
Isaac Young
Samuel Bunting
Charles Gavette —

Colo. Crafts Edwards & Scollay, a Committee to draw up Rules & Regulations for the Government of the Watch, & to furnish Constable Burdet, with proper Orders —

[**81.**] Deacon Boardman & Mr. Little a Committee to view

the Streets at the North part of the Town and Report what Repairs are necessary to be given

Col°. Crafts Sever & Scollay & Edwards relative to the Town Slips, are also a Committee to enquire into the Towns right to a piece of Land in Beach Street —

Comm^e^. relative to M^r^. Dolbear

see here under a Report of Comm^ee^. made this day

Voted, that M^r^. Morse be allowed the damages and costs received against him by John Dolbear in an action against him for stopping his antient lights & passage way, the same to be discounted to him from his Rent & that M^r^. Morse be informed that if he continues the same incumbrance it must be at his own risque & cost —

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 30 [1794] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay,

D^r^. Cheever informs that a Frenchman boarding at one Carys in Fitches Alley, has the Small Pox & is almost well — the Person whose Sir name is Lisway was immediately sent down to Hospital Island & Orders were given Capt. Laha the Keeper of the Hospital of the usual tenor —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 4. 1794 Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, — see May 26 — The Committee appointed to confer with M^r^. Dolbear relative to a Nusance near said Dolbears Estate & the Towns Buildings adjoining Dock Square — Report, that they met and conferred with M^r^. Dolbear upon the matter, who declared that he should insist on a removal of the Building complain'd of, and payment of the damages & costs recovered and such further Expences as he has sustained —

Col°. Waters has liberty to erect two Gates in the Common, provided it be without expence & to the approbation of the Selectmen —

[82.] William Crafts on application has liberty to open a Drain in Back Street and to put Posts before his House as has been done for several Years — provided it be done to the approbation of the Selectmen — and M^r^. Boardman is appointed to oversee & direct in this business

Deacon Boardman & M^r^. Little a Committee to view & Report what is necessary to be done as to the Repairs of the Draw Bridge —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11 [1794] Present Messrs. Scollay, Sever, Price, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Little,

Col°. William Scollay a Committee to examine the Accounts of M^r^. Samuel Whitwell, Keeper of the States Poor —

M^r^. Price M^r^. Walley, & Col°. Crafts a Committee to prepare & present a Petition to the General Court for liberty to raise by Lottery a Sum not exceeding three thousand Pounds, to be applied

to repairing the Streets of Boston, agreable to a Vote of the Town passed Feby. 1789 — — M^{r}. Sever & M^{r}. Scollay, are added to the Committee

By virtue of a Precept eight Petit Jurors for Circuit Court, were drawn as the Law directs

Messrs: Nathl. Hall
W^{m}. Powell
John Carnes
Caleb Hopkins
William White
Stephen Emery
Stephen Bruce
Luke Baker — & return made —

Messrs: William Carlton & Elvrist: Powers — admitted Watchmen, in the room of Isaac Young & Samuel Bunting —

On the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants relative to a Nusance in Back Street — Deacon Boardman

[**83.**] M^{r}. Little & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to view the same — and Report thereon to the Selectmen —

Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little & Scollay a Committee to agree with M^{r}. Welch as to building & turning a Stone Arch over Draw Bridge so called; —

It is agreed to have a visit to Deer Island on Wednesday the 25 of June Ins^{t}. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 13 [1794] A M: Present Messrs: Crafts, Walley, Price, Sever, Boardman, Scollay, Little,

The Committee appointed the 11th. Ins^{t}. to present a Petition to the General Court for a Lottery to repair Streets — are also requested to present one, for assistance in Building an Hospital in this Town, for the reception of Persons with infectious disorders — in the place of the one late at New Boston, which has been disposed of, by the Court to accommodate the New Bridge & to prevent Passengers being indangered by an Infectious House —

Josiah Waters Esq. being appointed Inspector of the Police of the Town of Boston — among other duties assigned him — Is now particularly directed to Visit the several Watch Houses three times a Week at such Hours in the Night as may be most convenient to him, and to observe if they are *awake* and on duty: and if he should find any neglect of duty at either of the Watch houses he is to make report thereof to the Selectmen. The Watchmens Orders are to set the Watch at 10. o:Clock in the Evening and break up at Sun rise — And to have one Person at the Watch house Door

Mem^{o}. given Col^{o}. Waters

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 13th. P.M: Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Sever,

[**84.**] The Vote passed on the 11th Ins^{t}. for presenting a Petition to the General Court for a Lottery to raise a Sum for

repairing Pavements &c — is reconsidered & the Petition prepared is to lay untill the further determination of the Selectmen —

The Town being greatly alarm'd at the repeted thefts that have been committed for the past fortnight; the Selectmen met and Voted that there be a number of Persons to aid and assist in discovering such Offenders untill further Orders — And the several Captains of the Engines, attending, by request, it was agreed, that they furnish for a few Nights 12 Men out of their respective Companies, or otherwise to assist the Watch in guarding the Town, and in their endeavors to detect if possible the Thieves — and for their encouragement they shall be allowed 20 Dollars for each Person who shall be legally convicted of House breaking or Theft in the Night time upon their information —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June [18, 1794]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Walley, Price, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon M^{r}. Whitwells State Accounts as Keeper of the States Poor, in the Almshouse, amounting as p Copy, on file to £545 .. 10. 4 — £444 — £25 .. 16 — & £31. 11 .. 7 — the aforegoing Accounts are continued up to the first of June Ins^{t}.

The Selectmen direct that the Town Watch be set at 10. O Clock & to be dismissed at Sun rise & this through the Year — they are also directed to call the time of Night with an audible Voice & what the Weather is every half Hour through the Night —

[**85.**] Capt. Nazro of Engine N°. 6. is to have the Premium of £1–8 — for playing on the Fire at Deacon Jones's House —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June [23, 1794]
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever Crafts, Little,

Met to execute Instruments between the Town of Boston & M^{r}. John Freeman — as to a common Sewer or Drain —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27 [1794]
Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Scollay,

The Selectmen having been informed, that there has been great disorders for several Nights past by Numbers turning out, & pulling down several Houses of ill fame & attempting others — Agreed to call a Meeting of the Inhabitants this Afternoon, at Faneuil Hall 3 o-Clock, in order to consider & determine on measures to be pursued, for preventing such irregular & rietous proceedings to the disturbing the peace & injuring the Property of many Individuals —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 30^{t} [1794]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Price, Sever,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/ — p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	—	11	9
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1	7	3

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of white Brick Bread must weigh - - -	1	5	3
Biskets of 2 Coppers price must weigh - - - - -	—	7	12
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. -	2	5	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian do.	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

[86.] The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Fryday the 4t. of July next 9. O'Clock A: M: in commemoration of the Day of the Declaration of INDEPENDENCE, being the 4t. of July A: D. 1776 — Memo. no printed Notifications — the Bells to be rung from 6 to 8c —

Agreed upon a Visitation of the Schools to be on Monday next being the 7t. Inst. and to have a Dinner provided as usual — List of Persons to be invited on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25 — [1794] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Scollay,

The Selectmen this Day agreable to Annual custom, in Company with a number of Gentlemen, Visited Deer Island, and found the Island in very good state, abating for the ravages made upon it by the Sea the last Winter; a continuance of which must be expected, untill a proper head can be placed for its security — The Day was Bright the Winds favourable — and every other Circumstance agreable —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 3d. 1794 Present Messrs. Sever, Price, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Boardman, Little, Walley,

Passed upon other Accounts, not before passed upon —

Mr. Little & Colo. Crafts, a Commee. on the application of Deacon Wright, to view two Passage Ways into Butlers Row, which he proposes to have paved —

Mr. Sever & Colo. Scollay a Committee to procure a suitable place for placing a Building for Capt. Loverings Engine —

The Draught for June examined by the Selectmen, and the Town Clerk is directed to hand in the same to the Town Treasurer —

Commee. on the Neck Vizt. Scollay, Crafts & Sever to direct as to paving the entrance into the Town

[87.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 5 [1794] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Little,

On information that Infectious Disorders of a malignant nature were prevalent in the W. Indies

Colo. Crafts, Deacon Boardman & Mr. Little appointed a Committee to wait on Governour Adams with the information received —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 7 [1794] — Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Little, Price, Edwards, Scollay,

The Selectmen, & others a School Committee, accompanied by a number of the Clergy & other Gentlemen — Visited the several public Schools, and had the pleasure of witnessing the proficiency made by the Scholars belonging to them — a Dinner was provided at Faneuil Hall by the Selectmen to which the rest of the Committee & a number of the Inhabitants were invited —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 9th. [1794] Present Mess: Walley, Sever, Boardman, Little —

Mr. Richards & others, represent that Mr. Welsh has made an incroachment on their Lands near the upper Mills, and request that the Selectmen, would view & determine on the same —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 11. [1794] Present Messrs: Walley, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Price,

Information given the Selectmen that Capt. William Cunningham in a Schooner lately arrived from Liverpool had the Small Pox on board — The Captain attended as required and informed, that some of his People had been inoculated & were recovered before he left Liverpool — and that every thing on board had been well smoked & cleansed, and in his Opinion, there was not the least danger of infection —

[88.] Voted, that on any Vessels being stop'd at Castle Island from any of the West India Islands on suspicion of infectious Distempers — Either of the Selectmen on a Certificate from the Doctor, who has examined the Vessell, that there is no danger of infection — may give a permit in the name of the Selectmen, for such Vessels coming up to Boston —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 21. 1794 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Boardman, Price, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Walley,

Mr. Tukesbury having Represented, that a quantity of Boards & Timber, have been landed at Deer Island, & might be purchased on more reasonable terms, than they could be had other ways — therefore for the benefit of the Town he is directed to purchase them, and to wait the directions of the Selectmen, before they are made use of —

Mr. Walley Colo. Crafts & Mr. Scollay a Committee to procure evidence, relative to a Street from Deacon Phillips's Store to Quaker Lane,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28th. [1794] Present Messrs: Walley, Price, Crafts, Little, Boardman,

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	10	14
4d. Ditto of white Bread - - do - - - - - - -	1	5	12
4d. Loaf of white Brick Bread do - - - - - - -	1	3	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price - do - - - - - - -	—	7	4

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do.	2	5	—
a 4d. Ditto of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

[**89.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30th [1794] Present Messrs: Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Price, Little, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts —

This Morning between the hours of 4 & 5 — o Clock, a Fire took place in this Town, begingg. at Mr. Hows Rope Walk near Milk Street, which consumed all the other Ropewalks in that quarter, together with about 36 Dwelling Houses, a number of Barns Out Buildings & Stores, containing large quantities of Hemp Cordage & other Merchandize, Household Furniture &c. — And as large bodys of Fire & combustables, are in *Cellars* still unextinguished, which in case of high Winds & other Circumstances may greatly expose the Inhabitants to further damage and loss — The Selectmen for their ease & security — have agreed that a Watch of 60 Men be engaged for this Night, who are to be allowed six Shillings p Man for this service, which with a number of the Fire Engines & their Compy. under direction of the Fire Wards together with the Persons engaged by the Borderers on the Ruins, is thought to be sufficient for the purpose.

The following was sent for a place in the Chronicle of to Morrow — Vizt —

THE SELECTMEN OF BOSTON in behalf of their Fellow Citizens, having a most lively sense of the very timely & efficient aid afforded them by their Brethren of the several Towns in the vicinity with their Fire Engines & their Personal services at the distressing Fire of Yesterday Morning request them to accept their most sincere acknowledgement of the same, and assure them that such benevolent & Humane exertions will always excite the most grateful sensations

see on other side

Voted, that the Fire Wards be requested to take the charge of said Men & appoint them to such Stations as they shall think best for the preservation of the Town

[**90.**] N B — The Towns from which Engines were brought to the Fire were Cambridge, Charlestown, Roxbury, Milton, Brooklyne & Watertown — & the Inhabitants from other Towns, tho'. not with Engines. were active in their exertions on the occasion —

The following Billet was sent Colo. Waters

The Selectmen request that the Inspector of Police engage 60 Men as a Watch for this Night & have them paraded at the State house by 9. o Clock this Evening — He will be so obliging as to inform the Fire Wards when the Men are ready, that they may appoint them to such Stations as they shall think best for the preservation of the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 1 [1794] Present Messrs: Edwards, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch, Price, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Ordered, that a Warrant be issued for calling a Town Meeting to Morrow 10. o :Clock to take into consideration the steps necessary to be taken for the relief of the Sufferers by the late Fire —

Mem^{o}. there is no printed Notifications to be dispersed

The following was sent by M^{r}. Nazro, to the Honble. William Phillips Esq — vizt. —

Sir

The Selectmen of the Town having observed that a Fence is erected by you across a Street or Passage way leading from Kilbey Street to Leveret Street so as entirely to obstruct the same — having taken the same into consideration & consulted Gentlemen of the Law on the occasion, have determined, on Monday next at 12. o Clock at Noon to order the same so far as obstructs the said Way taken down, unless before that [**91.**] time you cause it to be removed — they give you this notice as they wish to avoid any dispute or litigatious controvercy if possible without a neglect of the duty they owe to the Town.—

Messrs: Edwards, Little & Scollay a Committee to confer with M^{r}. Rogers & M^{r}. Ivers relative to the line of the Fence dividing their property from the Towns Land on Beacon Hill —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 2^{d} [1794] 10. o Clock A: M: Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Walley, Bulfinch, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little,

In consequence of a great dessolation by Fire in this Town on the 30. of July last, at & near Atkinson Street — The Selectmen met, & proceded to the spot, and laid out a new Street for the better accommodation & convenience of the Inhabitants, which is bounded as follows — Viz^{t}. — On said Atkinson Street forty three feet, then running Easterly to Hutchinson Street, two hundred fifty one feet 8 Inches then running on said Hutchinson Street forty three Feet and there running Westerly to said Atkinson Street two hundred fifty one feet 8 Inches — as is now staked out —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 4. 1794 — Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little,

Agreed that a Warrant be issued for a Town Meeting on Tuesday next. 10. o Clock A: M: being the 12 Ins^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 6 [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Price, Scollay, Walley,

Warrant for a Town Meeting to be issued

The Comm^{e}. relative to the Draw Bridge a Comm^{e}. to consider the Petition of the Inhabitants of Ann Street

[**92.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Aug. 10. 1794] Sabath Even^{g}. Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Scollay —

Met to fold & forward a Circular Letter to the Selectmen of each Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 13th [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Little; Scollay & Edwards —

Upon the application of Enoch Brown to Erect a Store on Washington Street — the Selectmen have no objection to his erecting said Store in case the Lessees of said Land consent to the same — he submitting to the determination of the Town, at the expiration of said Lease as to removing said Store or otherways

M^{r}. Sever Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay appointed a Committee to view the House erecting by Messrs: Dexter & Amory, in Orange Street, said to have encroached on the Street —

M^{r}. Nicholas Pierce applied for leave to build a Tomb in the Burying Ground at S^{o}. End — Granted, & M^{r}. Sever appointed a Committee relative thereto —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Aug. 5. 1794] & Justices of the Town of Boston for the purpose of widening the Streets in Atkinson Street, Hutchinson & Purchase Street, in consequence of the late Fire, after proceeding in the Business it was agreed, that there should be another Meeting on Fryday the 15. for compleating the same.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 20 [1794] [Present Messrs] M^{r}. Price, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch & Scollay,

The Selectmen a Comm^{e}. to enquire into the Titles of the Land Claimed by M^{r}. Todd & Capt. Dennie & to Report the Sum that would be required for the purchase of the Land — necessary [**93.**] to be taken into the Street, & what would be the other Expences

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 20 [1794] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Seaver, Crafts, Bulfinch, Scollay, Boardman,

Capt. Lovering applies for a Premium for the Comp^{y}. of Engine N°. 8. being the first that plaid on the Fire at M^{r}. Severs Distill house S^{o}. End —

Col^{o}. Crafts M^{r}. Sever & Scollay, a Committee to view a Building occupied by M^{r}. Davis S^{o}. End for carrying on the Soap Boiling & Tallow Chandler Business

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 18. [1794] On information that the Sloop Friendship Capt. Hatch had arrived from Jamaica last from South Carolina, she not being permitted to unlade there — in consequence of apprehensions of her being infected with the contageous Distemper prevalent in the West Indies — The Inspector of Police was ordered to have the said Sloop thoroughly cleansed —

D^{r}. Rand having Reported, that the People of the Sloop Friendship were entirely free from any Infection, and that her being per-

mitted to come up to Town would not endanger the health of the Inhabitants she was permitted accordingly

Mr. Sever, Scollay Little & Bulfinch, a Committee to procure two new Fire Engines and to dispose of the old ones at the most they will fetch —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 25. 1794 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Thursday the twenty eighth Day of August Inst —

Ordered that Mr. Edes have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting —

[**94.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen

The Selectmen having received information that the Yellow Fever or some malignant Disorder prevails in the Hospital, or some of the Places occupied by the French for the accommodations of Persons in this Town who arrived lately from Maguelon &c —

Voted, that Dr. Isaac Rand & Doctor Isaac Rand Junr. be requested to apply to the French Consul for permission to Visit the Ships in the Harbour, and the places occupied by the French as aforesaid, & Report to the Chairman of the Selectmen as soon as may be the situation & health of the Persons on board the Ships and at said Houses —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27 [1794] Present Messrs: Crafts, Seaver, Boardman, Little, Scollay, Edwards,

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat 7/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows — Vizt —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	- - - - - -	—	10	14
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread	do - - - - - - -	1	5	12
a 4d. Loaf of white Brick Bread	do - - - - - - -	1	3	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price	do - - - - - - -		7	4
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal	- -	2	5	—
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian	- -	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts

Mess: Thomas Hitchburne & William Williams apply for liberty to open repair or make a new Common Shore through Cross Street —

Capt. Laha is permitted to hire a Man to assist him at the Hospital on Rainsfords Island, for two Months on the best terms he is able; to be paid by a draft on Town Treasurer

[**95.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 1 [1794] A: M: 9. o'Clock Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay —

The Selectmen met according to appointment, to hear the objections that might be offered by any of the Proprietors of the

Drain or Common Shore through Cross Street — but no one of them appeared —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 1. 1794 P: M: Present Messrs: Crafts, Scollay, Price, Boardman, Little, Edwards,

On Account of late intelligence, of the prevalence of Infectious Disorders in several parts of the West Indies and at New Haven &^{c} — Deacon Boardman, M^{r}. Price Col^{o}. Schollay, Col^{o}. Crafts, & M^{r}. Little a Committee, to wait upon Governor Adams, and to confer with him, on the subject —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 3^{d}. [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Boardman,

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to view a Building in Charter Street, which has been represented to the Selectmen — projects upon the Street, and if they find it to be as has been stated, to see the same removed — Deacon Boardman added to the above Committee.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 4. 1794 A: M Present Mess. Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Bulfinch, Scollay.

Met at the Selectmens Chamber, & from thence went on Board the Hingham Packet for Deer Island — & having view'd & given the necessary directions relative to the additional Building for the enlargement of the House on said Island — returned to Boston in the space of thirty Minutes, the Gale being steady — 12 Miles an Hour was agreable to the Company, with *hardly* one exception —

[**96.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 5 [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Little, Scollay, Bulfinch, Sever, Price, Crafts

M^{r}. Bulfinch Col^{o}. Scollay & M^{r}. Sever, a Committee to cause & oversee the erection of the intended Building at Deer Island, & the repairs of the old —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^{r}. [10. 1794] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

A number of the Inhabitants of Fore Street apply for liberty to have a new Watch for the protection of the property & further promoting of Order, at their own expence in that part of the Town — the Persons applying. M^{r}. Barnabees Welch, Capt. Nehemiah Ingersol, Amos Lewis Junr. Samuel Goldsbury —

Deacon Boardman, M^{r}. Edwards & Col^{o}. Scollay a Committee to confer with the aforenamed Applicants

At a Meeting appointed for the approbation of an Auchtioneer — M^{r}. Bass in Comp^{y}. with M^{r}. Jones who had applied for the same was approbated — the Firm Jones & Bass —

The Clerk of the Market is directed to dispossess all such Persons of their Stalls at the Market, who shall presume to make use of illegal measures of any kind —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^{r}. [12.] 1794 Present Mess: Boardman, Crafts, Price, Edwards, Seaver,

The Assessors acquaint the Selectmen that the Tax Books will in a short time be ready for the Collectors —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to call upon the several Collectors, and acquaint them, that it is expected that they will acquaint the Selectmen, of the Names of the Persons they propose as Bondsmen, as the Tax Books are near ready for a delivery —

[**97.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^{r}. [17.] 1794 Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Little,

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the Return from the Justices of the Court of Sessions of the Persons which were licensed as Inholders & Retailers for the Year 1793 was considered & acted upon by the Selectmen and a return made thereon as required by Law.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 19 [1794] Present Messrs: Scollay, Price, Edwards, Crafts, Little,

Selectmen met at M^{r}. Codmans desire, relative to the Rope-Walks —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 24. 1794 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

M^{r}. James Thompson one of the Collectors of Taxes for the present Year, proposes Leonard Jarvis Esq. & Nathan Spear Junr. Merchant as his Bondsmen — approved —

M^{r}. Collector Henderson proposes Enoch James Gentleman & Thomas Parker Merch^{t}. as his Bondsmen — approved —

M^{r}. Collector Bayley proposes, James Bayley Gent^{n}. & Henry Bass, Merch^{t}. as his Bondsmen — approved —

M^{r}. Collector Jepson proposes, Benjamin Sumner Senr Merch^{t}. & Herman Brimmer Merch^{t}. as his Bondsmen — approved —

Capt. Mungo Mackay, John Cogswell, & John Popkins chosen Grand Jurors — & Samuel Gore, Jeremiah Bunstead, Nathan Bradley, Nathl. Bradley, drawn as Petit Jurors.

Twenty Petit Jurors for Court Common Pleas, drawn and posted in Jury Books —

Selectmen agree to view Pleasant Street, Monday next 11. O Clock —

M^{r}. B^{d}. Goyneau, having been well recommended, is permitted accord^{g}. to his Application to open a School in this Town for teaching the French Language —

[**98.**] M^{r}. Little, Edwards, & Deacon Boardman a Committee to view Millers Lane, & Report what is best to be done on the application relative thereto —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29. 1794 A: M: Present Messrs: Boardman,

M^{r}. May and M^{r}. Carlton attended on the business of Pleasant Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 29. [1794] P: M: Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman, Edwards, Price, Crafts —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 7/6 p Bushel, and that twelve Pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb	oz	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh- - - -	—	10	14
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread d^{o}. - - -	1	5	2
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread d^{o}. - - - - -	1	3	2
Biskets of 2 Coppers price d^{o}. - - - - -	—	7	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	5	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.	3	—	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 1 [1794] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Seaver, Crafts, Little —

Passed upon other Accounts

The Collectors for the present Year, having taken the Oath & given Bonds as by Law & Vote of the Town required — and the Selectmen having examined said Bonds, the Town Clerk is directed to give a Certificate of the same to the Assessors in order to the Tax Books being delivered them — and the same was accordingly given — and the Bonds are ordered to be filed —

[**99.**] The Draught for last month being finished the Town Clerk is directed to return the same to the Town Treasurer —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 6. 1794 Present Mess: Scollay, Seaver, Crafts, Edwards, Walley, Price, Boardman,

The Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Fryday — the 10 Day of October Ins^{t}. —

M^{r}. Benjn. Edes has the printing of the Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 8th. 1794 Present Mess: Seaver, Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

On the application of Capt. Tilden & others for new paving Millers Street so called — Voted that they be allowed the sum of ninety pounds conditioned that the sides of the Way shall be done either with flat Stone or Brick said sum to be paid when the whole is finished to the approbation of the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Sever to provide Wood for South Schools —

Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay for Centre Schools, M^{r}. Little Boardman & Edwards for the North Schools —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 15. [1794] Present [Mess:] Boardman, Seaver, Crafts, Little, Price, Scollay, Walley, Edwards,

Ambrose Harrison applys to Selectmen for liberty to improve a

Building in Charter Street, for the purpose of manufacturing of Candles —

Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting for one Representative to the next Congress of the United States agreable to an Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, and Voted that this matter be referred to Wednesday next —

[**100.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 22 [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Little, Crafts,

Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting on the 1^{t}. Monday of November next, being the 3^{d}. Day of said November, 10. o Clock Forenoon, that the Votes of the Inhabitants may be given in for one Representative for the first middle District of this Commonwealth to the next Congress of the United States —

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Edwards — a Committee to wait upon Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Eliot — to open the Meeting with Prayer —

Capt. Lovering — applies for two Premiums for the Company, of N°. 8. their Engine having play'd first at the two Fires, at Bennets Street & Bartlets Shop, both S^{o}. End —

M^{r}. Little & Col^{o}. Scollay, a Committee to order as to the Erecting a Building for an Engine House in Purchase Street for Engine N^{o}. Capt. Champney —

The Selectmen engage that the Engine House standing on the Estate lately belonging to M^{r}. Langdon North End, shall be removed whenever the Proprietors of the Estate, shall require it

On the Application of M^{r}. Makepeace, that he may be permitted to erect a Building over the West side of the Draw Bridge in Ann Street over the Mill Creek — the Selectmen do not grant the request

Col^{o}. Crafts Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Little a Committee to repair or make addition to the Engine House (or such other Alteration) on the East side of the Mill Bridge as they may think necessary —

Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{ee}. to prepare the necessary Papers relative to the new Street, & that they set as soon as may be — and that when [**101.**] ready, they give notice, that a Meeting may be immediately called for that purpose —

On the request of —

Col^{o}. Crafts, Col^{o}. Scollay & M^{r}. Walley a Comm^{ee}. to enquire as to M^{r}. Nancreeds improvement of the Grammar School —

The application of Ambros Harrison for improving a Building in Charter Street for the manufacture of Candles — Is granted by the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 27. 1794 Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

see Novem^{r}. 5.

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at / p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.—

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto - - - - ditto - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread ditto - - - -			
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - ditto - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above half Indian d^{o}.			

Mem^{o}. no Assize agreed upon
Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 29. 1794 Present Messrs: Price Walley, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little,
Passed upon other Accounts —
M^{r}. Walley, Little & Edwards a Committee for viewing Passage Way from Charter Street to Lynn Street —
Col^{o}. Scollay a Comm^{e}. to direct a Funnel to be put up at M^{r}. Carters School —

[**102.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 5 [1794] Present Messrs: Edwards, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Price, Crafts,
Cesar Capen, a black Man, admitted for a Chimny Sweeper & a Badge N°. 11 — delivered him —
Capt. Laha Keeper of the State Hospital is permitted to hire as an Assistant one John Rowen, for which he is to be allow'd ten Dollars from this time to the first of April for his services Capt. Laha to provide necessary Board, without further Expence to the Commonwealth — the State to be chargeable only for the ten Dollars
Col^{o}. Crafts, Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Edwards a Committee to wait on his Excellency the Governor & propose that the Orders which had been given the Capt. of Castle William for stopping all Vessels coming from Baltimore may be withdrawn — the Infectious Disorder which had prevailed in that City, having subsided, as appears by the Southern News Papers —
M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Committee to examine & Report, what repairs are necessary for Short Street near North School, on the application of a number of the Inhabitants —
Jacob Hylen, appointed Master of Engine N°. 3 — he having been recommended by the Company.
The above named Committee are authorised to pave Short Street provided the expence to the Town does not exceed twenty pounds —
Ordered that Col^{o}. Waters call immediately on the Proprietors of the 1400 feet on the Neck, to have the Roads on each side repaired & to have all incumbrances on the same removed & [**103.**] the Trees to be put on the Neck according to their contract, & the award of the Referrees, chosen on behalf of the Town & Proprietors —
Col^{o}. Waters, Reported, this Day, that he had waited on said Proprietors & that they had assured him, that they would pay every attention to the above order —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 12. 1794 Present Mess: Scollay, Price, Edwards, Crafts, Sever, Boardman, Little,

Deacon Boardman & M^{r}. Walley a Committee to make distribution of the expence for repairing the Drain in Cross Street —

Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay a Committee to examine Town Clocks & order such repairs as they may Judge proper —

Col^{o}. Crafts added to the Comm^{e}. relative to M^{r}. Cartwrights Bond & Mortgage

William Healy, appointed a Surveyer & Packer of pickled Fish Pork & Beef, within the Town of Boston — sworn

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 19. 1794 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

Col^{o}. Waters directed to notify M^{r}. — —. in —

M^{r}. Crafts, Scollay & Price, a Committee to remove a Nusance in Lindles Row —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Committee to view a Bake house near Prince Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. 24 [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Edwards, Scollay, Crafts, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

[**104.**] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at / p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel, be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
A 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of White Bread - - d^{o} - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of White Brick Bread d^{o} - - - -			
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - d^{o} - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye — d^{o}. -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o}.			

Mem^{o}. no Assize agreed upon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26. [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Scollay, Boardman,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Four Jurymen drawn from Box for a District Court — namely, Capt. Alden Bass, John Fleet, Robt. Lamb, William Dall

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Scollay a Committee to view the Cambridge Engine, & Report to the Selectmen —

John Juteau applies for the approbation of the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 3^{d}. [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Walley, Edwards, Scollay, Price,

4. O: Clock Assigned to consider the Application of M^{r}. Jutau —

This being the time assigned for the approbation of M^{r}. John

Juteau as an Auchtioneer to the 7. May next he was accordingly approbated by the Selectmen

Michael Mahony approved of as an Inholder for his House in Federal Street —

[**105.**] Robert Crocker, is to have the Store on Dock Square lately occupied, by Mr. Austin, at the same rate, with the latter —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 10 [1794] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Little, Edwards,

Mr. Brown, Mr. Cunningham & Mr. Forbs, made application in behalf of the Persons who had permission to erect an additional Story on the South Reading School for improving the same for the Season by the Gentlemen called the Assosiated Assembly — and they had liberty from the Selectmen to improve the said Room accordingly

On application of Mr. Ebenezer Dorr, for liberty to build a Tomb in the South Burial Ground —

Voted, that liberty be accordingly granted, he to build a Wall as usual —

Mr. Nazro directed to request the attendance of the Collectors next Wednesday —

The Gentlemen who were permitted to build a Story over the South Reading School, have leave to let said Room as a Dancing School to Mr. Nadan, provided it is not improved in School hours —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 17th 1794 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Price, Walley, Crafts, Scollay, Little,

On the application of William Breed & others for a new Street to be laid out near Beacon Hill — Colo. Crafts Scollay, & Bulfinch a Committee to view & make Report thereon —

[**106.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 22d. [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Bulfinch,

Selectmen met on the business of a new Street, laid out since the Fire, from Federal Street to Hutchinson Street, & several of the Proprietors of Land, through which the Street passes attended — and agreed upon a Committee for said purpose —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 24th [1794] Present Messrs: Sever, Price, Boardman, Little, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards,

Twenty Jurymen drawn for Court Common Pleas & entred & posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 29th — [1794] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Walley,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat a 9/6. p

Bushell, and that 12d. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Vizt —

		lb.	oz.	dr.
A 2d. Loaf of white Bread, - - - - - -	must weigh	—	8	13
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread - - - - - -	ditto	1	1	10
a 4d. Loaf of white Brick Bread - - -	d°	—	15	10
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - - - - - -	d°	—	5	14
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye	d°	2	—	—
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread not above ½ Indian	d°	2	8	—

Passed upon Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. [31.] 1794 Present Messrs: Edwards Sever, Scollay, Boardman, Walley Crafts,
Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 7 [1795] — Present Messrs: Edwards, Scollay, Little, Boardman,
A Meeting of the Selectmen for the approbation of another [**107.**] Auchtioneer, has been warned for 4. O'Clock P.M: Samuel Bradford Esq. having applyed for the same

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen. 4. O'Clock P: M Present Mess: Edwards Scollay, Little, Boardman, Price Crafts
This being the time appointed for the consideration of the application of Samuel Bradford, Esq. that he may be approbated as an Auchtioneer by the Selectmen — he was approbated accordingly —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 8. 1795 Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Little,
The Committee for providing Engines, are directed to purchase an Engine built & offer'd by Mr. Ephraim Thayer & [on] the best terms they can, the same to be placed in that part of the Town, which the Fire Wards shall Judge to be best — they are also authorised & directed to procure another on the best terms they are able & as soon as may be –
The Town Treasurer begs leave respectfully to Represent to the Gentlemen Selectmen that the Treasury is totally drain'd of Money. That there now remains unpaid by the draft of the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor the sum of £671 ..17 ..9 the draft of Jany. & Feby. will probably be £1600 which added to the sum remaining unpaid will amo. to £2271 ..17 ..9, that there only remains due on 1793 Tax £1708 ..7 ..6 out of which sum deduct for Abatements & Collectors Premium £1000 — whereby when the whole of 1793. Tax is Collected leaves only £708 .. 7 — 6 to come to the Treasury, by which there will be a difficiency of £1271 — 17 — 9. up to the 1st. of March 1795 — The Treasurer conceives it a matter of the greatest importance that the Credit of the Town should always if possible be preserved in the punctual & prompt payment of all debts contracted by the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor, and as the Creditors of the Town are dayly

calling on [**108.**] Him for payment without his being able to relieve them, by discharging their several demands, he most earnestly requests, the Gentlemen Selectmen would take the above particulars into their wise & prudent consideration & act thereon as they shall Judge best calculated to promote the real Interest of the Town & affording relief to the Servants of it —

Joseph Russell Treasurer

On due consideration of the above application

Voted, as the Opinion of the Selectmen on the Representation of Joseph Russell Town Treasurer, that it would be for the interest of the Town and of public utility, That he borrow for the use of the Town a Sum not exceeding one thousand Pounds not doubting the Town will approbate our recommending, and his proceedings —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Jan 14. 1795]
Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Boardman, Scollay, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 21 [1795]
Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Price, Scollay,

M^{r}. Edwards, Col^{o}. Crafts, Scollay & M^{r}. Sever a Comm^{ee} to confer with a Committee of the General Court relative to the Grant of a Township to the Town of Boston from said Court —

Passed upon M^{r}. Samuel Howard Acco^{t}. am^{o}. to £1 — 19 — being for Repairs on the State's Boat for the use of Hospital at Rainsfords Island —

The following Persons are chosen by the Selectmen out of the 15 Persons nominated to apprize a new Street, by the Proprietors of said Street — Viz^{t}. — Messrs: Leonard Jarvis, Mungo Makay, William Shattuck William Sherburne, Benjamin Cobb Junr — [**109.**]

Passed on Norton Brailsfords State Acco^{t}. for Glaziers work on the Hospital House at Rainsfords Island, amounting to £13 .. 16/ —

Passed upon M^{r}. James Blakes State Acco^{t}. for Repairs of the State Hospital House at Rainsfords Island, am^{o} to £3 .. 5 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 26,^{h} [1795]
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little,

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 9/6. p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pain & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.—

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	—	8	13
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread - - d^{o} - - - - - -	1	1	10
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread d^{o} - - - - - -	—	15	10
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - d^{o} - - - - - -	—	5	4
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	2	—	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian - d^{o}	2	8	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 28th. 1795
Present Mess: Walley, Crafts, Boardman, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Passed upon Capt. Laha's State Acco^{t}. as Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsford Island am^{o}. as by Copy on file to £29 .. 6 .. 11—

The Town Clerk is directed to prepare a Warr^{t}. for calling a Town Meeting on Monday the 2^{d}. Day of February next, 10. O'Clock. A: M:

M^{r}. Edes has the printing of the Notifications for the Town Meeting —

[**110.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 2^{d}. 1795 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Little, Scollay,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 4. 1795 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Walley, Boardman, Scollay,

Constable Burdick of the Town House Watch proposes Thomas Gault as a Watchman in the room of Ephraim Brown who is too infirm for the Business —

M^{r}. Price, M^{r}. Walley, & Col^{o}. Crafts a Comm^{ee}. to engage Judge Sullivan in the case of Trespass between William Phillips Esq & the Town, & to furnish the Counsel on the part of the Town, with all Papers & Evidences which may be necessary

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9 [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Walley Little, Boardman

Agreed that a Warrant be issued for calling a Town Meeting on Wednesday the 11 Ins^{t}. 10. O Clock A.M.

M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of the Notification —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 11th [1795] Present Mess: Walley, Crafts, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

John Low appointed Captain of the Dock Watch & Francis Cleaver, as a Watchman in the Dock Watch

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Sever, a Committee to take M^{r}. Davis's request to erect some Piers at the end of the Rope Walk & Report —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 17 [1795] Present Messrs Sever, Edwards, Boardman,

[**111.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 18, 1795 Present Messrs: Scollay, Boardman. Sever, Walley, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 22^{d}. [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts Boardman, Little,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 9/6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
A 2d. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - - -	—	8	1
4d. Ditto of Ditto - - - - ditto - - - - - - -	1	1	10
4d. Loaf of white Brick Bread - do. - - - - - - -	—	15	10
Biskets of two Copper price . - do - - - - - - - -	—	5	4
a 4d. Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do. -	2	—	—
4d. Loaf of Brown Bread not above ½ Indian do. - -	2	8	—

Passed upon Accounts —

Mr. Collector Henderson having produced Receipts in full from the Town, State & County Treasurers for the Sums committed to him to Collect for the Year 1793 —The Town Clerk is directed to deliver up the Bonds given by him for that Year

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 25. 1795 Present Messrs: Edwards, Scollay, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 26 . . 1795 Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Edwards,

Warrant to be issued for March Meeting the 9th. of March next —

Mr. Scollay & Crafts, a Commee. to wait on Revd. Mr. Eckley & ask him to open Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Edes to have the printing of Notifications

[**112.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 4th [1795] Present Messrs: Boardman, Scollay, Crafts, Price, Edwards, Little,

On Application of the Fire-Wards, that on occasions of Fire, when Engine Men with their Engines from the Neighbouring Towns come in to afford their assistance; that refreshment is necessary for them — Voted, that in all such cases the expences of such refreshments had by direction of one or more of the Fire Wards, the Selectmen will make a draught for the same on the Town Treasurer —

A Draught was given on the Town Treasurer in favor of William Scollay Esq. for the purpose of discharging the Fees to be paid to the Treasurer of this Commonwealth before signing the Deed of a Township of Land late granted to the Selectmen of the Town of Boston for the purpose of building a Hospital in said Town — and the Order is entered in the Draught Book —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 11th [1795] Present Mess: Sever, Walley, Scollay, Boardman, Price, Crafts. Edwards, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 18th [1795] Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Walley, Little,

David Cobb applies to be appointed a Searcher & packer of pickled Beef Pork & Fish — recommendation on file —

Warr^{t}. to be issued for a Town Meeting on Monday next. 10. O Clock A: M:

M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 25th [1795] Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Walley, Crafts, Edwards,

[**113.**] Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting the 6th. Day of April next, 9. o Clock A: M: being the Day assigned by the Constitution, for the choice of Governor &^{c} —

M^{r}. Price to invite M^{r}. Clark to pray M^{r}. Edes to print Notifications —

M^{r}. Francis Nichols, being recommended by D^{r}. Priestly, and a number of Gentlemen of this Town, is permitted to open a private School in this Town for the Instructions of Young Persons in English Latin Mathematics & Natural Philosophy & in such other parts of Learning as he may think fit — (Mem^{o}. the recommendation on file —)

sent

David Lewis appointed to Collect the Cow Money in the room of M^{r}. May —

The Cellar unto the North School let to M^{r}. James a Brewer at the North end, for one Year at the rate of £6 — p Annum Rent to commence the 24th. Ins^{t}.

sent Treasurer

Deacon Boardman, M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Committee to attend immediately to the repairs of the North Burial Ground —

The Law relative to Cows &^{c}. to be published by M^{r}. Edes in his Paper — & the Name of the Persons to Collect the Moneys, called Bull Money —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 30 [1795] Present Mess: Edwards, Crafts, Price, Little, Scollay, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Putnam —

The Selectmen have received from M^{r}. Sheriff Allen a Precept sent by the President of the Senate & the Speaker of the House of Representatives for calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants on Wednesday the 6. Day of May next, for the purpose of Collecting their Sentiments on the necessity or expediency of Revising the Constitution in order to Amendments — also a Resolve of the Legislature, relative to said matter [**114.**] both being delivered by M^{r}. Price —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 10/ p Bushel, and that 12 pence p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
A 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread, must weigh - - - - -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread, - d^{o} - - - - -			
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - - d^{o} - - - - -			
a 4^{d} Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o} -			
a 4^{d}. Loaf of ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian d^{o} - - - -			

Passed upon Accounts—

Col°. Crafts, Scollay & Sever a Committee to direct the Repairs of the Walls of the Common Burial Place

Col°. Scollay a Committee to view the Powder at the Powder house, & Report the quantity wanting as by the late Militia Law —

Josiah Waters Esq. appointed the Officer of Police for this Town, for the Year ensuing, as the Law directs — with a Salary of £180 — as allowed him by the Town the Year past —

Col°. Waters to be informed that the Selectmen request his attendance next Wednesday —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 1st 1795. Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 8. 1795 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Little, Crafts, Putnam,

Mr. Thompson Collector to have his Bonds as Collector for 1793. dld: him, have settled with all the Treasurers —

[**115.**] Mr. Sever & Walley a Committee to examine the Accounts of Mr. Gooch & Mr. Foster & Report to the Selectmen —

Col°. Scollay & Mr. Putnam a Committee to order the necessary repairs to Beacon Hill

Col°. Crafts, Mr. Sever & Mr. Little a Committee to estimate the expence of repairing or laying a new Dam on the Neck & Report the same to Selectmen

Col°. Crafts, Mr. Sever & Col°. Scollay a Committee to repair the Neck — & that they enjoin the Commee: to see that the Abuttors perform their engagements relative to the putting down Trees & repairing the Roads —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 15. 1795 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman Crafts, Sever, Little, Scollay, Putnam, Edwards,

Mr. Blanchard applys for the use of Forsters Pasture to exhibit Aerostatic Experiments — It is the opinion of the Selectmen that application be made to the Town

Sundry applications for appointment as Searchers and Packers of Barrel'd pickled Fish Pork & Beef were read — and passed — further consideration on such applications referred to Wednesday next —

Mess: Walley Crafts & Scollay a Committee relative to the Drain in Federal Street & Greens Lane —

The above Committee are also to view & Report what Repairs are necessary to be done to the Roof of Faneuil Hall

Mr. Edwards & Putnam a Committee to repair the Brick Hall on Pembertons Hill —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 22d. 1795 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Walley, Edwards, Putnam, Little,

[**116.**] Messrs: Cutter & Amory have liberty agreable to their application on the 15 Ins^{t}. to open or repair the Common Shore or Drain in Marlborough Street they notifying all Persons whose Drains enter therein as the Law directs —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 27th [1795] Present Messrs: Scollay, Crafts, Boardman, Price, Edwards, Little, Putnam,

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 10/ 6 p Bushel, and that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}.—

	lb	oz	dr
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -		8	1
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - -	1	—	2
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread - - - d° - -		14	2
Biscuits of 2 Copper price - - - - - - d° - -		—	—
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d°	2		
a 4^{d}. Ditto, not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian Meal - d° - -	2	8	

Passed upon Accounts —

Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting to be convened on May 6th. agreeable to a Precept issued for that purpose relative to reviving the Constitution —

Warrant to be issued for May Meeting on Monday the 11 of May next 10. O Clock for choice of Representatives &^{c}.

M^{r}. Crafts & Scollay — a Committee to request the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Freeman to open the Meeting with Prayer

M^{r}. Edes has the printing of Notifications for the above Meetings —

[**117.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April [29, 1795] Present Messrs: Sever, Scollay, Price, Crafts, Little, Putnam, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Capt. Atkins applys that the width of the Road near Charles Bridge may be assertained in order for his fencing in his Wharff —

M^{r}. Little & Edwards a Committee on the application of Capt. Silas Atkins to determine the bounds of his Wharff on Ferry Street —

Draught examined & ordered to be handed in to the Town Treasurer —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 6. [1795] A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Boardman, Putnam,

Nathaniel Noyes & John Popkin were drawn Grand Jurors for Circuit Court — & M^{r}. Edward Edes & Joseph Russell Junr. were drawn Petit Jurors —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May. 6. P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Boardman, Putnam,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 8. 1795 Present Messrs: Edwards, Crafts, Scollay, Price, Sever, Walley, Little, Boardman,

M^{r}. Pulcepher applys to the Selectmen to view a House he is making additions to, and see if he is making any incroachments on Charter Street —

M^{r}. Price & Col^{o}. Crafts a Committee to direct Posts to be set in States Street

M^{r}. Price Little & Col^{o}. Crafts, a Committee to confer with the Governour relative to stopping Vessels from the W^{t}. Indies where Infectious distempers prevail —

[**118.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May [13, 1795.] Present Messrs. Price, Edwards, Little, Crafts, Sever, Putnam,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 20, [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Edwards, Scollay, Sever, Little, Putnam,

Judge Sullivan informs that he has within 13 Days received as a Servant in his House at Boston, Ellen Pendergrass, who has a Husband in the Province of Nova Scotia she is about 40 Years of Age of good character & very unlikely to become chargeable to this or any other Town (see return on file) —

William Bayless applies for the Selectmens approbation of him as an Auctioneer in this Town — M^{r}. Nazro to warn a Meeting to Morrow 10. o: Clock A: M: for the Selectmen to take this application into consideration —

see June 3^{d}

M^{r}. Walley, Scollay Putnam, Little & Crafts a Committee to view the place were M^{r}. Carnes proposes to erect a Rope Walk & Report their opinion thereon — they are also to see to the Repairs of Beacon Hill.

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to procure six more Chairs for the Selectmens Chamber of the same kind with the present —

M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Scollay appointed to Lease the Bull Pasture the present Year —

Col^{o}. Crafts, M^{r}. Sever & Col^{o}. Scollay — a Committee to carry the Town Vote for carrying the Mall through Fosters Pasture &^{c} — into execution —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 21. 1795 Present Messrs: Walley, Price, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Adjourned

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 25. [1795] Present Mess: Walley Price, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,

[**119.**] Adjourned to Tuesday the 26 Ins^{t}. 4. O:Clock —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 26. [1795] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

Assize of Bread to be affixed at another Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 3d. 1795 Present Mess: Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Price, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Low has liberty to white Wash the Watch House on the Dock —

The Selectmen agree to allow ten pounds to the Abuttors on Scottows Dock so called, when the Nusance complained of shall be conveyed through the Ground to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Mr. William Bayless is approbated by the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer — see May 20

Mr. Walley Colo. Scollay & Colo. Crafts a Committee to confer with Mr. Denny & others relative to the Land at the bottom of Beacon Hill —

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Sever & Colo. Scollay a Committee to carry the Vote of the Town relative to erecting a new Dyke on the East side of Boston Neck into execution —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 9th [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Scollay, Crafts,

Met relative to the term of the Sales of Towns Interest

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11. 1795 Present Messrs: Price Boardman, Crafts, Walley, Edwards, Little,

How & Rume apply for liberty to erect a Bake House at West Boston —

[**120.**] Deacon Boardman, Colo. Crafts & Mr. Walley a Committee to take into consideration a Petition of several of the Inhabitants relative to a Well in Dock or Market Square referred to the Selectmen by a Vote of the Town, to act thereon as they think proper & to Report what may be proper to be done thereon to the Board at their next Meeting, both as to the sinking of the Well & the expence thereof —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 12t [1795] Present Messrs: Putnam, Walley, Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Little, Price,

Colo. Crafts a Committee to confer with Dr. Lloud & Dr. Dantforth relative to the Stone Wall before their Building & the renewing the old Agreement relative to the highth of the Towns Building —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 17 [1795] Present Messrs: Boardman, Walley, Price, Putnam, Crafts, Little,

Dr. Morse requests that he may have the improvement of the Land in the rear of the Shop lately purchased of the Town, he making suitable compensation therefor —

Three Jurors chosen for District Court, vizt. — Allvin Fosdick, Isaac Hall, Joseph May. —

Mess: Walley & Schollay a Committee to view Lindels Row, and Report to the Selectmen —

Upon the offer of Mr. John B. Sohier, to the Selectmen for the

purchase of his Land at the foot of Beacon Hill — they are of opinion, that they cannot make such purchase without the order or authority of the Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 20. [1795] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Little,

[**121.**] George Blake has accepted the appointment of Orator for the 4th. of July

It having been represented to the Selectmen that there are two or three Persons on board the Schooner Rain-bow. Moses Freeman Master lately arrived from St. Croz. who as reported by Dr. Read appear sick of a contagious Disorder. — It is therefore ordered by the Selectmen, that the said Schooner be immediately removed near to Rainsfords Island, that she be deprived of her Boats, that no Person be permitted to go on board said Schooner but by permission of the Selectmen in writing, and that a Flagg or Signal of Sickness be hoisted on board said Vessell — and thus to remain until further Orders —

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

The aforegoing was directed to Dr. William Read, in order to be by him communicated to the said Capt. Freeman, and also to Mr. Charles Miller Owner of the fore named Schooner —

An Advertizement having appeared in this Mornings Centinel, informing the Publick that there were to be exhibitions this Evening — Mr. Blanchard who sent the Advertizement, was informed by the Selectmen, that such a procedure the Evening before the Lords Day, was contrary to a Law of this Commonwealth, of which they now advized him —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22d. 1795 A M Present Messrs Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,

The Selectmen Agreed upon a Visit to Deer Island on Tuesday the 30th. of June Inst. —

Colo. Waters as Officer of the Police of this Town is directed to commence a Suit immediately against John White who drives a Truck, for Mr. George Blanchard, for carrying [**122.**] on said Trucks to the injury of the Pavements, sixteen Barrels of Tar —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22th [1795] P: M: Present Mess: Price, Walley, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Putnam,

Dr. Read was directed to make enquiry into the situation of the Sick on board Schooner Rainbow Capt. Freeman —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 23d [1795] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Crafts, Little, Edwards, Putnam,

Dr. Read, Reported verbally whereupon the following directions were given Capt. Laha — Vizt. —

Capt. Laha —

You are permitted to receive on the Island four Persons namely James Smith, Charles Smith, W^{m}. Turner, James Wommell a Man rec^{d}. from Brig. Lyon Capt. Choate from on board the Schooner Capt. Freeman, now lying off the Island, the Owner of the said Vessel agreeing with you for the payment of all charges accruing thereby

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24th. [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Putnam,

Col^{o}. Scollay, & M^{r}. Nathan Frazier, apply for any vacant Tombs in the Common Burial Ground —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26. 1795 A: M: Present Messrs: Walley, Price, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Little, Boardman,

Col^{o}. *Perkins* —

You will permit the Schooner Rainbow Capt. Freeman now detained & laying off Rainsfords Island, to pass the Castle on your recieving a Certificate from D^{r}. Read that she is well cleansed & is free from infection, with the Captain & all the Men belonging to said Vessell which are well & that no danger will come to the Inhabitants

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26. [1795] P: M: Present Messrs: Walley, Edwards, Boardman, Scollay, Crafts, Price, Little,

[123.] Agreed that the Abutters on Lindals Row be allowed Thirty pounds towards the paving of that Street provided it be done to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

The Selectmen have waited on Joseph Greanleaff Esq. one of the Justices of Peace for the County of Suffolk & informed him that they were ready to produce before him a complaint under oath signed by Josiah Waters Esq. charging Philip Woods Printer in publishing & distributing a certain inflamatory Notification for collecting the Inhabitants in a riotous manner on the Evening of the 24 Ins^{t}. to the great disturbance of the peace of the Inhabitants & acquainted the said Justice that they had evidence fully to support the said complaint — upon which the said Justice declared that he did not know of any Law to Justify his recieving said complaint or issuing a Warrant thereupon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 29th. [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Little, Putnam.

The Town Clerk is directed to issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Saturday the 4th. of July next 9. OClock A: M: in commemoration of the Day of the Declaration of INDEPENDENCE being the 4th. of July A D: 1776. (Mem^{o}. no printed Notifications) —

Agreed upon a Visitation of the Schools on Monday the 6th. Day of July next and to have a Dinner provided as usual — Lists of Persons to be invited on file —

Passed upon Accounts —

Assize of Bread, put off to another Meeting

Colo. Crafts & Colo. Scollay a Committee to agree with Mr. Vile for a Dinner the 4th. of July next — or at any other place —

[**124.**] Boston Ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 30 [1795] Present Mess. Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Little, Edwards, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts —

(error)

The Selectmen this Day agreable to annual custom in Company with a number of Gentlemen Visited Deer Island, and found the same in a flourishing state, & the Additional Buildings, since the last Visit, to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1. 1795 Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Walley, Crafts, Putnam, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Colo. Crafts Mr. Walley a Committee to report to the Selectmen what is best to be done relative to the new Street near the old Rope Walks —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 8 [1795] Present Messrs: Scollay, Walley, Sever, Boardman, Edwards, Price, Crafts, Little,

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Fryday next 10. o Clock A: M: being the 10 Inst —

Mr. Edes is to have the printing of the Notifications of said Meeting —

Mr. Walley a Committee on Mr. Davis's Petition

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 10. 1795 — Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay,

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Walley a Committee relative to the new Street near the Rope Walks — Reported, & the same was accepted —

Voted, that the Selectmen will meet the Proprietors of the Rope Walks at the bottom of the Common on Tuesday next at 5. O'Clock P.M: to confer with them [**125.**] on the most liberal construction of the Votes passed by the Town relative to the said Rope Walks, and that the Proprietors be notified hereof —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13 1795 A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Putnam,

Agreed upon a letter to President Washington

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13. P: M:

Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Putnam,

Letter to president Washington inclosing Resolutions of the Town relative to the pending Treaty was delivered Mr. Lemuel Pease, the Express employ'd on the occasion — Packet deliver'd 25 Minutes after 5. O Clock

The Letter as follows vizt —

Sir

At a very numerous Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston in Faneuil Hall the inclosed proceedings were unanimously adopted, and by a Vote of the said Inhabitants we the Subscribers Selectmen of the said Town were directed to transmit the same to the President of the United States by Express —

In complyance therefor with our Official Duty, as well as impelled by our own wishes on the occasion; we have the Honor of addressing them to you, and are with every sentiment of respect

Signed by all the Selectmen of Boston

To The President &c

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 21 [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Price, Little,

On the representation of Dr. Read respecting the Schooner Olive Elkanah Clap Master from St. Marks having infectious sicknesses on board as by his Report on file —

[**126.**] It is order'd by the Selectmen that the said Schooner be detained at the Hospital Island untill further Orders that in the mean time no Person be suffered to come up to Town from the said Schooner or to go on board the same but by permission from the Selectmen in writing that to insure the fullfillment of this Order, that the Boat be taken from said Schooner & that the Commanding Officer of Castle Island be requested to assist in carrying this Order into Effect. In addition it is agreed that if the Owners will agree with the Keepers of the Hospital at the said Island to defrey the expences of the sick there, that they may be removed to said Island that there may be better opportunity thoroughly to cleanse the said Schooner

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 21, P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

It being Reported that a Person in Town was sick of the Yellow Fever, strict examination was made by the Selectmen as to this Report, & they were happy to find that it was wholly unfounded —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 22d. 1795 Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little, Scollay, Putnam, Price,

Sixteen Grand Jurymen & 22 Petit Jury Men drawn for a Supreme Judicial Court, August next

A Meeting called at 6 — o Clock on the Application of John Jutau, to be appointed an Auchtioneer

Mr. John Jutau appointed an Auchtioneer for the Town of Boston —

Voted, that the Selectmen reconsider their Vote of the 17th. of June last respecting the purchase [**127.**] of John B. Sohiers Land at the foot of Beacon Hill

Voted, that the Selectmen engage in behalf of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston to pay Mr. John B. Sohier One hundred & eighty pounds being the Sum he demands for all the Land he claims at the foot of Beacon Hill on both sides of Temple Street which the Selectmen intend to lay out as a high Way or Street —

Voted, that the following Persons belonging to the Schooner Olive from St. Marks — Vizt —

Elkenah Clap Master
Lemuel Snow — a Lad
James Brown } Seaman
John Hales } two last sick
David Willington }

cannot be suffered to come up to Boston or leave Rainsfords Island untill the 6th. Day of August next To Capt. Layha —

an attested Copy was sent Capt. Laha & another to the Owner Mr. Makepeace —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 27. 1795 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

Voted, that no Person be permitted to come up to the Town from any Vessel from any infected places on board of which any Person has been sick within fourteen Days & by no means is such Vessel to be suffer'd to pass up —

gave attested Copy, to Dr. Read —

The Schooner Olive Capt. Clap is order'd immediately to be halled off near Noddles Island — the Hides to be taken out & sent to Rainsfords Island, neither the Hides nor Vessel, to be permitted to come up to the Wharff without the particular permission of the Selectmen in writing —

[**128.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25 [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Clark, Scollay, Edwards —

On Report of Dr. Read respecting the situation of the Schooner Olive Capt. Clap as on file & the orders given in consequence as aforesaid —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 29 [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Crafts, Sever, Scollay, Price, Edwards, Putnam, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Walley & Colo. Scollay a Committee to view a Gutter complained of by Capt. Tilden & Mr. Hall — & to make Report —

Mr. Little & Mr. Walley, a Commee. to examine into the circumstances of Welsh, agreable to a Warrt. from Judge of Probate for the County Suffolk —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Putnam a a Committee to confer with Colo. Dawes relative to removing his Fence —

William Newlands Indenture placed on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 5 [1795] Present Messrs. Price, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Sever, Boardman, Putnam, Little,

Mr. Edwards & Boardman a Committee to view a Drain in Middle street

This Day the Watchmen appeared, and Mr. Newman was dismissed as Constable of the Watch —

The Officer of Police is directed to inform Mr. Burdick Constable of Town House Watch that he is authorized to hire 2 or 3 Men to take charge of the West Boston Watch under his direction till further orders —

Agreed upon a Visitation to Rainsfords Island next Wednesday being the 12 Inst. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 10. 1795

In conference with a Commte. of the Town for selling [**129.**] certain Lands & building an Almshouse —

Voted, that the Common Street be bounded on the Southerly side by a line drawn from Sheriff Greanleaffs Corner to the Cross Road by Majr. Hatches, leaving said Street fifty feet in width at that part — That the width of West Street before the Towns Land be thirty four feet — That the Street at the back of the said Land be thirty feet — That the Cross Street between the Towns Land & Majr. Hatches be thirty feet from his Brick House — That the Hay Engine be placed at the end of the Land towards Major Hatches — That there be sixty feet left at the same end for placing the Hay Engine & other Buildings —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 12. 1795 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Scollay, Sever —

Voted, that in consideration of the high prices of the necessaries of life, there is allowed to the respective Watch Men two Dollars p month in addition to their present pay, untill further Orders —

Colo. Waters Officer of Police was directed on the 16th. Inst. to receive the Key of the West Boston Watch, & to appoint a temporary Watch, untill further directions —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 15 [1795] — Present [Messrs] Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Little, Crafts,

The President of the United States, Letter in consequence of the doings of the Town relative to the Treaty, sent him by order of the Town, was received, and the same having been read, it was Voted, that said Letter be sent to the Printers of the Mondays Papers, for publishment —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 19. [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Scollay,

[**130.**] William Newlands Indentures delivered Richard Caswell, and another of the same placed upon the Towns files —

Col°. Dawes communicated to the Selectmen information respecting the certainty of an incroachment made on the Towns Lands in Pleasant Street by M^r. Tuckerman & others, with a plan — upon which

Col°. Crafts, Col°. Scollay & M^r. Sever, are appointed a Commitee to examine into this matter & report thereon to the Selectmen

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 24th. [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

M^r. Walley Col°. Crafts & M^r. Scollay a Committee to confer with the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, relative to a Street near the foot of the old Rope Walks —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 26 [1795] — A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Scollay,

four extra Jurors drawn for S: J: Court chosen & entred in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 26 .. P: M: Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 31. 1795 Present Mess: Price, Sever, Crafts, Walley, Scollay, Putnam, Edward,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 2^d. [1795) Present Messrs: Crafts, Price, Walley, Boardman, Scollay, Sever, Little, Edwards,

A Law Suit at the Supreme Judicial Court required the attendance of the Selectmen, & prevented other business

[**131.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. [3. 1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Price, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards,

A Law Suit at the Supreme Judicial Court still requiring the attendance of the Selectmen, & prevented going upon other business —

Boston Ss: At a meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 7 — [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Putnam, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts

M^r. Walley appointed to confer with M^r. Dennie respecting the extinguishment of his Claim to Land at the bottom of Beacon Hill —

On the Petition of Thomas Walley Esq & others Proprietors of the Drain in Federal Street, represent that the present Drain

or Common Shore is insufficient for the purpose of carrying off the waste Water, & praying liberty to repair or lay a new one granted provided all concerned in said Drain or are to be concerned, are notified thereof, as the Law directs —

The Auchtioneers of last Year, & Mr. Nicholas Kindness apply as Auchtioneers for the present Year

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 9 — [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Price, Sever, Crafts, Scollay, Edwards, Little,

3. o clock appointed to act upon the application of the Auchtioneers, for the approbation of the Selectmen & they have been warned for this purpose

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Sever & Colo. Scollay a Commee. to mark out the Bounds of Cow Pasture on the Neck

Mr. Walley & Mr. Edwards a Committee to view & enquire as to Land near Mr. Hewes's Fish Market & make Report —

5. O Clock Selectmen met according to warning for the purpose of approbating Auchtioneers for the [132.] present Year, when the following Persons who had applied for the same were approved by the Selectmen — vizt. —

Messrs: Russell & Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas Kilbiy Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Mollineux
William Alline
William Bayless
1 Dollar-paid Nicholas Kindness & died soon after

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 12d. [1795] Present Mess: Walley, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Sever.

The Proprietors of Land near [where] the old Rope Walks stood, & the Selectmen, had a conference relative to the new Street &c.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 16 [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Price, Little,

Benjamin Luches Indentures placed on file —

Mr. David Everit being recommended as the Law directs is approved of by the Selectmen to keep a School in this Town for the Instruction of Youth in English & Latin Grammar, Writing & Arithmetic

sent —

On the application of a Commee. of French Gentlemen for the use of Faneuil Hall on Monday next for an entertainment, it being their new Years Day — Liberty was granted therefor — any damage that may accrue to be made good —

Jonathan Fletcher is approbated to the end of the Year as a searcher & Packer of Barreld pickled Beef, Pork & Fish

[**133.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 23^{d} [1795] Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts,

22 Petit Jurors for the Court Common Pleas & 2 Grand Jurors & 2 petit for the Circuit Court, drawn — the 2 Grand Jurors for the Circuit Court are William Shattuck & William Colman — 2 Petit Jurors — vizt. Benjamin Thompson, & David Ellis —

William Boyes applies for liberty to build a Tomb in the South Burying Ground — M^{r}. Sever to make enquiry & Report —

Selectmen agree to meet next Fryday P: M: 4. O Clock on the business of the Rope Walk & new Street from Atkinson Street —

On the application of M^{r}. Jeramiah Bumstead, he is permitted to make repairs & improve an old Tomb in the Common Burying Ground, conditioned that if any Owner should appear, he will be ready to deliver up the same, such Owner first defreying all the expence he may be at in repairing &c. untill that time —

Col^{o}. Scollay applies for the first vacant Tomb in the Common Burying Place,

M^{r}. Little, Capt. Bradley, M^{r}. Nathan Frazier makes application for vacant Tombs —

M^{r}. Sever, Col^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay a Committee to erect Stone Heads to the Steps & repair the same for the security of Beacon Hill & accommodation of the Inhabitants —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 25. [1795] Present Messrs. Walley, Sever, Scollay, Edwards, Crafts, Putnam, Little Bordman,

Voted, that M^{r}. Jeffry Richardson & M^{r}. Isaac Davis tors of the Rope Walks at the bottom of the Common be informed, that unless they remove the Heads [**134.**] of their Rope Walks from off Pleasant Street, back to the original Line staked out to them by the Selectmen previous to the Erection of the same on or before the 8th Day of October next, the Selectmen will then cause the Incroachment to be removed immediately —

Voted, that the Town Clerk forthwith serve M^{r}. Richardson & Davis with a Copy of the 'foregoing Vote.

Col^{o}. Craft & Scollay, with M^{r}. Putnam a Comm^{ee}. to enquire & report relative to an incroachment on the Streets at West Boston adjoining Jeffry & Russells Rope-Walks —

Voted, unanimously, that it be inserted in the next Warrant for a Town Meeting — "That the Town take into consideration the propriety of re-considering their Votes respecting a new Street laid out from Atkinsons to Hutchinson Street; as it is evident there is a Passage Way of 10 Feet through the said Land —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 28th. [1795] Present Mess^{r}: Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Scollay, Price, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 30. [1795] Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Walley, Price, Scollay, Little, Putnam,

M^{r}. Bayley proposes Henry Bass & his Brother James, as Bondsmen for him as Collector of Taxes the present Year —

M^r. James Thompson Collector proposes Nathan Spear Junr. & Isaiah Doan, as his Bondsmen

M^r. Benjamin Jepson proposes for his Bondsmen as Collector, Herman Brimmer Esq & Benjamin Sumner Senr.

M^r. Benjamin Henderson, Collector proposes his last Year's Bondsmen Thomas Parker, Enoch James —

[**135.**] Passed upon other Accounts —

M^r. Boardman, Walley & Crafts a Comm^ee to determine the width of the side of the Way from Storys Corner to take in Morses Corner — to remove all the old Buildings in the Reer of Story Brazier & Morse late Purchases —

Capt. Wescots Schooner from N.York having Hydes on board, the Hydes are to be carried to Rainsfords Island in order for airing & cleansing

M^r. Little is requested to make the necessary preparation for procuring Oyle &c. for the lighting the Lamps

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 5. [1795]

Ordered, that the Schooner belonging to G. Williams from Mare-galent be directed to hall off into the Stream, there to remain untill further Orders — also

Ordered, that the Sloop Industry now stopped at the Castle, as coming from N. York; James Adams, Capt. Gorham & Eleazer Homer Owners, proceed immediately to Rainsfords Island the Passengers with their Goods & other Articles liable to infection to be there landed, & the Man that is sick, to be there detained untill further Orders at their own expence; and that the Vessel be well cleansed, to the satisfaction of Capt. Laha, who is to certify the same — Orders of the usual tenor, have been given Capt. Laha for his proceedure in such manner as will prevent any communication of Infection to the Inhabitants.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 6. 1795 Present Messrs. Edwards, Crafts,—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r. 8. 1795 Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Little,

Warrant issued to Eben^r. Hancock & Daniel Tuttle appointed to view Chimnies of a House in Back Street occupied by

[**136.**] Schooner Rambler, Capt^t. Barnard from New York with a number of Passengers & other Articles liable to Infection, which has been stop'd at the Castle is now ordered for Rainsfords Island, & Capt. Laha has been directed to recieve such of the Cargo liable to retain infection, with the Bedding, Baggage & every Article suspected, all which with the Vessel are to be well smoked & cleansed, at the charge of the Owners & Capt. Laha is to Report his doings & wait the further Orders of the Selectmen—

The Selectmen having received information that a number of French People are expected in this Town from N. York from which circumstance danger is apprehended to the Citizens from the contagious disorders in that City — whereupon Voted, that

Col°. Crafts, Col°. Scollay & M^r^. Edwards be a Committee to confer with the Consul of the French Republic on the occasion & to take such measures as they may think proper to prevent any danger therefrom —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r^. 14. 1795 Present Messrs. Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Price, Walley, Scollay, Little,

M^r^. Hows under the direction of M^r^. Sever is permitted on his application, to erect a small Still house for distilling Tirpentine Spirits; at the end of his Wharff —

[**137.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r^. 15 [1795] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Scollay, Putnam, Little,

Information having been given the Selectmen that the Brig^l^. Rambler, Elijah Luce Master, from N. York where a contagious Distemper rages, had passed the Castle as coming from the Vine Yard, and was now off Hancocks Wharff — D^r^. Read & a French Physician were requested to go on Board, & make enquiry concerning the health of all on Board & make Report

The two Physicians after going on board & making due examination — Report. That her Crew consists of 5 Men the Captain & Mate, that they sailed from N. York the 6. of October & from the Vine Yard the 13th. that there are on board 35 French Passengers, and after a careful examination were found to be free from any contageous disorder, & well, and that they apprehended no danger except from their Baggage which is of various kind — whereupon it was —

Ordered, that said Brig^ne^. depart as soon as may be for Rainsfords Island, with the Passengers Cargo & Baggage, and to lay off said Island untill the further orders of the Selectmen, & liberty is granted the Passengers to land their Baggage on said Island, for airing & cleansing, at their own expence & the like Liberty to M^r^. Homer the Owner of the Vessel & to Capt. Luce for the landing the Hydes & every other article liable to retain infection, & they are directed not to suffer any Person to leave the Brig^ne^. or to go on board her, without permission from one or more of the Selectmen — The Owner & Capt. Luce were informed by writing of the determination of the Selectmen as also that the said Captain by giving a false answer at Castle William had thereby incurred a penalty of One hundred pounds or six months Imprisonment — Capt. Laha the Keeper of the Hospital was furnished with Orders for his government of the usual tenor [**138.**] And a Letter was sent to Mons Mazard, the French Consul acquainting him with the 'foregoing Orders of the Selectmen as p Copy of said Letters on the Files of the Board —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 19th. 1795 A: M. Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards —

The Brig^ne^. Rambler at Rainsfords Island on the representation

of Capt. Laha — ordered, that said Brig^{e}. do not as yet leave the Island —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 19 [1795] — P: M. Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Walley, Crafts, Edwards, Sever,

Met relative to Brigandine Rambler, but nothing was determined relative to her leaving the Island —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 20 [1795] — A: M: Present [Mess:] Price, Boardman, Crafts,

On representation of the French Doctor & D^{r}. Read the Brigg^{ne}. Rambler is permitted to leave the Island, & come up to Boston — The Passengers & Baggage not to be landed but put on board the French Cartel —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 21. 1795. Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Price, Little —

Col^{o}. Waters as Officer of Pollice to be informed, that the Weather having now become cold, the Selectmen, have no further use for the Horse & Cart to take away Dirt —

M^{r}. Boardman & Edwards, a Committee on application of M^{r}. Rand to view the Engine-house near Draw Bridge, lately removed from its former standing —

M^{r}. Sever appointed to provide Wood for the two S^{o}. Schools the same quantity as last Year —

Coll^{o}. Crafts & Col^{o}. Scollay for the Center Schools & to order a Gutter for conveying waste Water

M^{r}. Boardman & M^{r}. Little for North Schools —

[**139.**] The Selectmen determine that M^{r}. Davis's proposal for an exchange of Land cannot be accepted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 26. [1795] A: M:

On the Report of D^{r}. Rand the 3^{d} the People of the Ship Superb now lying in Nantasket Roads are permitted to come up to Boston —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 26. [1795] P: M: Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Scollay, Walley —

Passed upon Accounts—

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 2^{d}. of Novem^{r}. next — 10-o Clock A: M:

M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 28th. 1795 Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Crafts, Sever, Walley, Edwards, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Selectmen have directed, that the Chapel Bell be rang at

1. & 9 — O Clock p the Sexton of said Church untill further orders —

Mr. Hows to be requested to attend at the Selectmens Chamber next Wednesday Afternoon — and that he suspend any proceedure relative to erecting a Distill-house untill himself & the Complainments, have been heard by the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 31 [1795] — Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little —

Dr. Read having Reported, that the Brige. Polly from N. York was detained at Castle Island Messrs: Geyer & Son being Owners — Roland Crocker Master & 5 Seamen — She was ordered **[140.]** To Rainsfords Island, for cleansing &c —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novemr. 22 [1795] A: M: Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Scollay —

The Brigne Polly Capt. Crocker from N. York, is permitted to leave the Island with Passengers &c. she being well smoked & cleansed — and orders were given Capt. Laha, agreebly thereto —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novemr. 3d — 1795 Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,

The Town Clerk is directed to prepare a Warrant for Town Meeting Fryday next being the 6t. of Novr. Inst.

Mr. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novemr. 4. 1795 Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Scollay, Putnam,

Mr. John Thompson, Caulker, Samuel Abot, Cooper proposed as Engine Men, for Engine No. 4 —

The Selectmen having again view'd the place where Mr. Hows proposes erecting a Building for a Distillery, of Spirits of Tirpentine — Liberty is granted conditioned, that said Building shall be wholey of Brick

Mr. John Gammell an Engine Man for Engine No. 4 — is dismissed on account of neglect of duty

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 11th. [1795] Present Messrs. Crafts, Sever, Price, Scollay, Edwards, Walley,

Mr Clark, Sexton of Dr. Thatchers Meeting House applys to the Selectmen for the care of the Granary Burying Ground, upper end of the Common —

[141.] Colo. Winslow applys that the Selectmen would direct as to the setting of Posts near his House in Purchase Street —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever, a Committee for the purpose aforesaid —

Mr. Nathaniel Grenough applies for liberty to repair his Drain at Mountforts Corner so called — & Mr. Little is appointed to view & direct thereon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 18 [1795] — Present Messrs: Walley, Crafts,

At the Meeting on the 11 Ins^{t}. Voted, that the Officer of Police be directed, to attend immediately to the removal of all incumbrances & Nusances in Bishops Alley, & the Street lately recovered from William Phillips Esq. & should those Places be incumbred not withstanding his exertions to prosecute them at the next Supreme Court also to use his exertions for the removal of Incumbrances on the sides of the Way on the Main Streets, of Shopkeepers & Vendue Masters —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen. Novr. 25 [1795] — Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman. Crafts,

Four Jurymen drawn for District Court and entred in the Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26^{t}. [1795] Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Price, Edwards, Crafts, Boardman, Scollay, Little,

Met upon the Business of the New Street —

M^{r}. Abiel Smith informs that he has taken into his House as a Servant a Richard Waterhouse from Lancaster — particulars on file

[**142.**] On Motion Voted, that the Vote passed on the 21st. of October be reconsider'd & that the matter relative to removing M^{r}. Davis's incroachments be suspended untill further Orders —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 30^{t}. [1795] Present Messrs. Edwards, Price, Boardman, Scollay. Crafts,

Passed upon Accounts

Voted, that the Inspector of Police be directed to warn & forbid M^{r}. Jonas Welch from incroaching in any manner on the Mill Creek —

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 2^{d} [1795] Present Mess: Price, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,

Passed upon other Accounts

Ordered, that the Town Clerk prepare a Warrant, for the calling a Town Meeting, for the choice of a Town Treasurer in the room of the late Treasurer Russell, lately deceased, &^{c}. &^{c} on Monday the 7 of Decem^{r}. Ins^{t}.

M^{r}. Walley, Col^{o}. Crafts & M^{r}. Sever a Commee^{ee}. to compleat the Sale of the Shops at the side of Pembertons Hill —

M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. [9, 1795] Present Messrs. Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,

The late Master, & Company of Engine N°. 7. recommend M^{r}. Oliver Wiswall as a suitable Person in the room of M^{r}. Edmund Ranger, who has resign'd to have the care of said Engine

[**143.**] Mr. Welch, & the Selectmen, were conferring relative to the Incroachments, made by him on the Towns property

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 11 [1795]
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Little, Scollay,
Mr. Treasurer Claps Bond being presented agreable to a Vote of the Town at their late Meeting, to the Selectmen they were approved of, and the Clerk directed to Record the same & place the Original on the files of the Town.
Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 14t. [1795]
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Scollay,
Dr. Rand the elder having Reported that the Brige. America from Belfast Capt. having had two Children with the Small Pox 40 Days since — but that every thing on board, has been well smoked & cleansed, & no one on Board liable to the Distemper — she is permitted to come up to Town, having been repeatedly smoked & fumigated in the Harbour —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. [16, 1795]
Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Price, Scollay, Little,
passed upon other Accounts, than on draft Day

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 23d [1795]
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards,
Information given the Selectmen of a Fire being inkindled against a Barn at New Boston & in the Yard of Mr. Austin & it being the opinion of the Selectmen that it was some Evil design'd Persons who laid the Fire — the Constables of the Watch were directed, to use their utmost diligence to discover the Perpetrator untill further directed by the Selectmen [**144.**] that there be three Men for this business added to the Watch, that the Watch be set untill further orders at 9. O Clock — & that their services will be noticed by the Selectmen — The Officer of Police was directed to see these measures carryed into effect —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 24t. [1795]
Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Scollay, Walley, Crafts,
Mr. Duport has been requested in writing to attend at the Selectmens Chamber on Wednesday next on Account of his Advertizing his keeping a School & teaching dancing on Saturday Evenings, that he may be informed of the previous steps which should have been taken by him prior to such an Advertizement
Mr. Nazro is to warn Mr. Davis & Mr. Richardson to appear here next Wednesday at 4. O'. Clock P: M: on the subject of removing their incroachments on Pleasant Street—
given Mr. Nazro —
The Article in the Warrant for a late Town Meeting relative to certain Encroachments made by Mr. Jonas Welch on the Mill Creek — was read, whereupon after serious consideration — the

Selectmen are of opinion that he be informed, that it is their expectation, that he will immediately desist from any further progress in compleating the Building or any other Works he has erected over the Mill Creek as they conceive them to be encroachments therefore Voted, that Mr. Welch be served with an attested Copy of this our determination —

an attested Copy as by original on file was accordingly sent to Mr. Welch's House p Constable Lewis —

[**145.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 28 [1795] Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Scollay,
A number of Accounts presented

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decemr. 30 [1795] — Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Scollay, Crafts, Edwards, Little,
Passed upon Accounts —
Mr. Duport attended at the request of the Selectmen & asked permission to open a School for dancing and was permitted, he adheering to the Laws of the Comonwealth for the regulating Schools — sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 1 [1796] — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Boardman, Price,
Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 6 [1796] Present Messrs: Price, Edwards, Scollay, Crafts, Boardman,
A number of the Inhabitants having subscribed certain Sums of Money for the purpose of a new Street at the foot of Beacon Hill — the Selectmen do authorise & empower Mr. John Homer to receive & bring in the same to the Selectmen as soon as possiple to assist in carrying the above object into effect —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 13 [1796] Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Scollay,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Jany. 20. 1796 — Present Messrs: Boardman,
Samuel Bradford Esq. applies for a reappointment as Auchtioneer —
Mr. Nazro to warn a Meeting next Monday 4. O Clock for the purpose

[**146.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 25 [1796] Present Messrs: Crafts, Boardman, Edwards, Little, Price, Sever,
Isaac Wyman, Thomas Sherburn & Aaron May proposed as Measurers of Wood &c. coming from the Country Towns — and they are approved of

sent

Samuel Bradford Esq. is approved as an Auchtioneer for this Town —
see Feby. 10 — 2 others

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 27^{t}. 1796
Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little,
Jurors drawn for Supreme Judicial Court & entred in the Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 3^{d}. [1796]
Present Mess: Boardman,
Passed upon Capt. Laha's State Account as by Copy on file —
am^{o}. to $\overset{D}{44}$ — $\overset{C}{45}$ —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 5. 1796
Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Little, Edwards —
The Selectmen upon due application, appoint M^{r}. John Rand a Measurer of Wood coming by Land in the room of M^{r}. Thomas Sherburne who has declined serving — & have affixed the rate for measuring 4^{d}. $\frac{1}{2}$ —
The Town Clerk is to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting Tuesday next the 9th Ins^{t}. 10. O Clock A: M:
M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications
Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 9. 1796 —
Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Little,
[**147.**] M^{r}. Benjamin Alline having applied, to be appointed an Auchtioneer in this Town — M^{r}. Nazro is directed to warn a special Meeting of the Selectmen, to Morrow 4 O'Clock in order to take the request into consideration —
M^{r}. John W: Folsom applys to be also appointed

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 10. 1796
Present Messrs. Little, Boardman, Sever, Walley, Price, Edwards, Crafts,
Passed upon other Accounts —
M^{r}. Benjamin Alline, & M^{r}. John W. Fulsome appointed Auchtioneers for, this Town —
M^{r}. Little & Edwards appointed a Committee to examine M^{r}. Walleys Accounts of Moneys recieved for Real Estates of the Town, lately made Sale of —
see 19th.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 17^{t} [1796]
Present Messrs: Crafts, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Edwards, Little,
The Selectmen agree to have a new Engine made to be placed between Nassau Street & the Buildings on the Neck
Passed upon D^{r}. Whipples State Account for carrying nine Persons thro' the Small Pox in 1792 —
amounting to £ 4. 1 / —

Six extra Jurors drawn for S. J. C now sitting —

Mr. Little, Edwards & Boardman a Commee for placing the Engine House at the North as it must be removed from where it now stands

Mr. Sever & Mr. Little a Commee. to procure a new Engine —

[**148.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen [Feb. 18. 1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Edwards, Little, Sever,

Warrant for choice of six extra Jurymen for the S. J. C. now sitting recieved from Clerk of said Court

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 19 [1796] Present Mess Boardman, Sever, Walley,

Mr. Boardman, Sever & Crafts a Commee. in the room of Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little, to examine Mr. Walleys Accounts of Monies collected, for Real Estates of the Town sold at public Auction —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 22d [1796] Present Messrs. Sever, Boardman —

A Stormy Day, no Board —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 24 [1796] Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Boardman,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 29 [1796] — Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 2d [1796] — 3. O'Clock Present Messrs: Crafts, Sever, Boardman, Little, Edwards, —

Passed upon other Accounts

Mr. John Badger applies, to be appointed an Auchtioneer for this Town —

Mr. Nazro to warn a Meeting for the taking up Mr. Badgers application 5. O Clock —

Mr. John Badger is approved of as an Auchtioneer for the present Year —

[**149.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 5 1796. Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Price, Walley, Little, Edwards, Crafts,

Mr. John Perkins & Edward Procter Esq. having applied to be appointed as Auchtioneers in this Town a special Meeting is called for that purpose at 4. O Clock P M: —

Mr. John Perkins & Edward Procter Esq. is approved & Licensed as Auchtioneers for the present Year

ORDERED that a Warrant be prepared for March Meeting, the 14t. Inst. 10. O Clock —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Sever — a Commee to request Mr. Kirkland to open the Town Meeting with Prayer

Mr. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 8 [1796] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Ordered, that the Opinion of the Selectmen representing the new Rope Walks of July 10. 1795 & their Letter of Septemr. 11. be entred on the Town Books, they being omitted at the time in expectation of the matter being accommodated by a removal of the encroachment — the same as follows Vizt —

The Selectmen being appointed a Committee to take into consideration the Article in the Warrant "relative to the Dimensions of the Rope-Walks at the bottom of the Common directing them to settle the matter as they Judge most for the interest of the Town upon the most liberal construction of the Vote passed by the Town relative to the said Rope-Walks"

Have taken the same into consideration, & are of Opinion that by the Report of the Committee chosen to lay out said Lands, & the general opinion of the Inhabitants [**150.**] as expressed in Town Meeting, that the Plat of Land for each Rope-walk should be 50. feet wide & the length as marked in the Plan — that the Studs of each Rope Walk should not exceed 7 Feet & not more than from 14 to 18 feet wide, & that the Roofs should have been only the common pitch of Roofs made use of in Sheds or Buildings of this hight & width — that the Heads of the Walks even if built of Brick & Slated were not to be more than 20 — feet in width & the length as they should think most convenient to themselves — that there should ever have been a space of 30 feet between each Rope Walk — that the erecting of their Tar Houses should not interfere in any way so as to incumber the said Passage Way of 30 feet —

This we suppose was the general opinion of the Inhabitants at the Time the said Lands were granted — But upon viewing the Rope Walks that are now erected we find that Mr. Davis's Head is near 30 feet on the Street & in the Rear — feet — the width between the Head & Richardsons is 16 feet & between the Tarr House & Richardsons 10 feet — Mr. Richardsons Head is near 29 feet on the Street & between his head & Mr. Emmons is 10 feet & between his Tarr House & said Emmons's is 12 feet — Mr. Emmons's Head extends within 13 feet & his Tarr House within 11 feet of Mr. Neils — Mr. Codmans Head extends within 10 feet of Hows & his Tarr House within 2 feet — Mr. Hows Head is on the Sea Wall within 22 feet & his Tarr House within ten feet —

The Selectmen are therefore of Opinion that the most liberal construction consistent with the Interest of the Town, they can put on the Grants aforesaid, are — that all Incroachments actually made shall be immediately removed, such as Davis, & Richardson That all the heads of Rope Walks & Tarr Houses shall be immediately reduced or so narrowed as to leave a clear Passage Way [**151.**] Of 20 feet between each Rope Walk & Tarr House — that the Owners of the Rope Walks enter in Obligations to the Inhabitants binding themselves their Heirs & Assigns for ever (previous

to their recieving their Deeds) that they will never erect or suffer to be erected any Building either of Brick or Wood so as to prevent or impede a clear Passage Way of 20 feet wide, between each & every Rope-Walk — that the Rope Walks shall never hereafter be more than 20 feet wide; that the pitch of them from the 7 feet Stud, shall never be higher than is common for Sheds or other small Buildings of those Studs or dimensions — That the Roofs of the head of their Walks which now are so much higher than was expected shall be reduced as soon as possible — And that they engage in writing that they will never repair them, but let them go to decay, or in a certain given time enter into Bonds to build them with Brick & to be slated —

The following was sent to the Proprietors of the Rope Walks in Pleasant Street — vizt

Boston Sepr. 11. 1795 —

Gentlemen,

The Selectmen on the 14^t. of July last (agreably to notice given you,) met with you on the ground on which you have erected Rope Walks, and after pointing out & making it appear manifest how greatly you had incroached upon the Towns Lands & exceeded the bounds of your grants from the Town, you not only appeared convinced of the incroachments but promised to remove them — And the Town having authorized us to take said Grants into consideration & put the most liberal construction thereon, we accordingly met & consulted thereon, and on said Day communicated our Opinion of which you received a Copy, but have had no answer thertoo altho' two Months have expired — Surely [**152.**] Gentlemen such kind of treatment could not be expected from you. But what increases our astonishment is, that additional Buildings & further incroachments have been made on said Lands since the above time — We hope this procedure was not intended as an Insult tho' it has the appearance of it —

That no further unnecessary delay may happen in this matter, we request your answer to this Paper delivered you by M^r. Walley on or before the 16^t. Day of September Ins^t. as we shall then determine on such methods to close this matter as our duty to the Town and the Interest thereof require —

We are &^c

The Gentlemen Proprietors
of the Rope Walks near
Pleasant Street —

Ezekiel Price p Order

Mem^o.

The Originals of the aforegoing are placed on the File of mix^d Papers for 1796 — as also the Plan of Rope-Walk Incroachments — Plan of Land adjoining on Torys Pasture & on Pleasant Street — And Secretary Averys Receit for Plan of the Town of Boston —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 9th [1796] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Walley, Sever, Little, Crafts, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

At a Conference held this Day being 25 August 1795 —between Thomas Davis Esq. Treasurer of the Commonwealth (who is

directed by the Legislature to sell all the Lands belonging to the State where the Rope-Walks stood & which were consumed by Fire the 30t. July 1794) and the Selectmen of Boston — It was mutually Agreed that the Old Road or Street called Grays Lane leading from Atkinson Street was formerly and is now to be described as follows — Vizt —

[**153.**] Twenty feet on Atkinson Street & bounded on Bourn & Hill, Northerly 90 feet & so Westwardly on said Hill to Milk Street 73 feet 6 Inches leaving the same Passage Way of 20 feet throughout —

Mr. Boardman, Sever & Crafts a Committee appointed the 19 of Feby. last, to examine the Account of Mr. Walley, for Monies collected for the Real Estate sold by Order of the Town — Report that they have examined said Account & find the same to be right cast & well vouched —

The Selectmen having been directed by a Vote of the Town of the 21st. May 1795 to dispose of certain Estates of the Town as therein described & to appropriate the proceeds thereof according to said Vote — have in virtue of those Votes disposed of the same, and appointed and requested Mr. Walley to attend to the particular transaction thereof; and having since with him accomplished the Business entrusted to them — do accept and approve of his Accounts as follows — Vizt. —

The Town of Boston in Accot.
Carrd. with the Selectmen — Dr.

	D. C.
1795 To Cash pd. the Note of the Commee. to the Massachusetts Bank " for £500 — & Interest which they borrow'd to pay towards Pasture purchased of Governor Hancocks Heirs - - - - - - - - - -	1689..50
To do. pd. said Committees Note to the Union Bank for £500 - - - - - - - - - - & Interest borrowed for the same use	1671..74
To do. pd. sd. Committees Note to Joseph May for 333..6.. 8 & Int. - - - - -	1125..72
To do. pd. E. Hancock sd. Commes. Note for £333. 6. 8 & Int. - - - - - -	1126..11
To do. pd. Richd. Perkins Attorney & Guard. Commee. Note to him for do.	1127–76
To do. pd. Int. on Money advanced to pay of Perkins Note - - - - - - -	5– –
To do. pd. Joseph May 2d. Note & Int. - - - - -	1130–79
To do. pd. Joseph May 3d. Note & ditto - - - - -	1136..11
To do. pd. E. Hancocks 2d. Note & do. - - - - -	1137..95
To do. pd. E. Hancocks 3d. Note do - - - - - -	1137..96
To do. pd. Dr. R. Perkins 2d. Note - - - - - - -	1140..45
[**154.**]To do. pd. R. Perkins 3d. Note	1140–45
Sepr. To do. pd. J. Russell Treasurer. p. Receit -	1500––
To do. pd. J. B. Sohier for Land p. Deed	600––
do. pd. sundry Expences for Deeds &c p pticular Accot. 10.65	34..40

To d°. said Commission for selling land receiving Money in paying out the same &c to Selectmen	166..66
Decr. 29 To d°. pd. T. Edwards drawg. Deeds &c. p. Recr.	- - 20—
1796 Jany. 26 d°. paid Samuel Clap Town Treasurer - - p his Receit of this date - - - - - - - - - - - -	323..9
March 3d. To d°. pd. Samuel Clap Town Treasurer - - Dr. Danforths Money p. Receit	320..—
	$16533..69

1795 Novemr. By the amount of Sales of three Stores on Dock Square & 2 Dwellg. Houses near Concert Hall p particular Accot. Sales hereto annexed sold p. Russell & Clap - - - - - - - -	$16213..69
March 8 — By Cash recd. of Dr. Danforth for Shops & Land opposite Concert Hall p Deed given him - - - -	320..—
	$16533..69

Boston 8t. March 1796
Error excepted
p. THOMs. WALLEY —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 16 [1796] Present Mess: Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Little —
A great Storm prevented making a Board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 23d [1796] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Sturgis, Tilden, Little,

Mr. George Deblois having applied for the appointment a special Meeting is called for this purpose at 4 O Clock

At this Meeting Mr. George Deblois, was approved of by the Selectmen as an Auchtioneer —

[**155.**] Voted, that Mr. Jonas Welch be informed that if he does not remove the Encroachments by him made lately on the Mill Creek before Saturday the 2d Day of April next, the Selectmen will in compliance with what they think their Duty to the Town, take measures for that purpose —

sent p. Nazro

Town Clerk to prepare a Warrant for Town Meeting the 1st. Monday of April being 4t. . for choice of Governor &c —

Mr. Sever & Walley a Committee to request Revd. Mr. West to open the ensuing Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Ezekiel Russell to have the printing of the Notifications for said Meeting

Mr. Sever & Mr. Edwards a Commee. to view the Street leading

down to Gen[l]. Jacksons Distill-house & Report whether it is necessary to make a Fence at the Abutment next the Water —

M[r]. Foster applys to be Sealer of Weights & Measures —

The Town Clerk is to provide a Book to Record the Number of Hacks &[c] —

Col[o]. Crafts & M[r]. Edwards a Comm[ee]. to consider and Report at large with regard to Hacks —

M[r]. Walley, Sever & Tilden a Comm[ee]. relative to removing Col[o]. Dawes Fence.

Col[o]. Waters directed to see the High Way, passing by Deacon Phillips's Store near Olivers Dock into Leaveret Street — cleared from all Incumbrances — also the Incumbrances from the East & Southerly Ends of Faneuil Hall Market

sent

[156.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March [28. 1796] Present Mess[rs]: Sever, Crafts, Price, Edwards, Boardman, Little, Sturgis,

Application is made for the delivery of the late Town Treasurer Joseph Russells Bonds given as Treasurer — his Accounts having been accepted by the Town — & the balance thereof in favour of said Treasurer.

Passed upon Accounts —

M[r]. Thomas Bayley, a Collector of Taxes for 1794. having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers, for the respective Sums committed to him to Collect — requests that his Bonds may now be delivered him — granted

M[r]. Benj[e]. Henderson, applies for the delivery of his Bonds for 1794 — having produced Receipts for the payments, of the Sums committed to him to Collect, from the respective Treasurers —

granted

M[r]. Treasurer Clap proposes William Tuder Esq. & Deacon Hall as his Bondsmen, who are approved of by the Selectmen —

Agreed with Thomas Parker to pay him fifteen Dollars Annually, as Rent for the Land on which the Engine House N[o]. 1. now stands commencing about the 15[t]. Inst.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 30[t]. [1796] Present Mess[rs]: Edwards, Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Crafts, Little, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts —

M[r]. Collector Thompson having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers of his having paid in the Sums committed to him to Collect for the Year 1794 applies for the delivery of the Bonds given by him for that Year —

Granted

M[r]. David Lewis appointed to receive Cow Money as the last Year, & the Law relative thereto, and the **[157.]** Sums to be paid by the Owners of the Cows &c. to be published by the Town Clerk —

Elijah Wheelock has agreed to ring the Chapel Bell at 8 OClock

Morning. 1 O Clock, & 9 O Clock Evening at 6£ p Bell for one Year, making Eighteen pounds or 60 Dollars p Annum —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 1st [1796] — Present Mess: Walley, Sever, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis, Boardman, Edwards, Little,

Whereas in consequence of a Vote of the Selectmen passed the 23d. March last respecting certain encroachments made in the Mill Creek, Edward H. Robins Esq. in behalf of the Proprietors of the Mills attended on the 30t. Ultimo & made certain proposals respecting said encroachments whereupon Voted, unanimously, that the Selectmen expect at least, all Encroachments made beyond the Wall, lately made by Mr. Jonas Welsh on said Creek be removed within the time limitted in their said Note a Copy of which was sent to Mr. Jonas Welsh — If immediately after this the said Proprietors have any propositions to make respecting the other encroachments, the Selectmen are ready to hear them —

sent by Mr. Nazro —

On a representation to the Selectmen by 21 respectable Citizens in the neighborhood of Marlborough Street, that there is erecting by Mr. Elijah Clements on Land said to be the Property of Mr. David Townsend a Stable of more than 100 feet long & 2 Stories high — Voted, that the Officer of Police inform Mr. David Townsend, that such representation has been made & that if the erecting said Building is persisted in, the Selectmen will direct a complaint to be laid before the Grand Jury on the subject, that such measures may be pursued thereon, as to Law appertains —

[158.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 6. [1796] A: M. Present Messrs: Walley, Sever, Crafts, Boardman, Little, Tilden, Sturgis,

Voted, that the Officer of the Police be directed to Employ a number of Carpenters & immediately proceed to the Mill Creek & then remove the Encroachments made by Jonas Welsh as far as they project over the Stone Wall beginning on the Barn first —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 6. [1796] P. M. Present Messrs: Boardman, Tilden, Edwards, Russell, Price, Walley, Little, Crafts,

The Inspector of Police having recieved the Orders of the Fore noon at 12 — oClock — immediately executed the Order, as p his return on file of mixt Papers —

Mr. Nazro is to inform the Owners of the Hacks to give into Colo. Crafts their Names & the number of Carriages they own by to Morrow 10. O Clock Forenoon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 8t. [1796] Present Messrs: Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Price, Boardman, Walley, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Mr. Sever, Colo. Crafts & Mr. Sturgis a Committee to take Orders from time to time respecting the Mall & Common —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 13t. [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Price, Tilden, Sturgis, Walley, Crafts, Little, Edwards,

Mr. Nicholas Brown having applied to be appointed an Auchtioneer — 4. o.Clock is appointed for a special Meeting to take this matter into consideration —

Colo. Crafts, Deacon Tilden & Mr. Sturgis a Committee to examin the State of Fort Hill & what quantity of Land belongs to the Town — what encroachments are made on the Town Lands & to call on Colo. Scollay for Papers & information & Report.

[**159.**] Deacon Tilden, Mr. Walley a Committee relative to altering a Gutter at the South side of the lower end of Milk Street —

4. OClock —

Mr. Nicholas Brown agreable to his application is approved of as an Auchtioneer for this Town —

Whereas frequent complaints have been made to the Selectmen that great numbers of unused & unoccupied Carts & Trucks, are left standing in different parts of the Town, to the very great incumbrance of the Streets by Day. To the inconvenience & hazard of the Cityzens by Night —

Voted, that the Inspector of Police, be directed to request the Proprietors of such Carts & Trucks, to discontinue such Nusance; and if neglected that he take measures for removing the same within ten Days from this date

The above to be printed say published in the Chronicle & Centinel Papers —

Capt. Darricot of Engine No. 2 applys for a Premium, he playing first at the Fire North School Street —

drawn

Voted, that Mr. Isaac Davis be informed that if he does not remove the Encroachments by him made on Pleasant Street on or before Wednesday the 4th Day of May next — the Selectmen will in compliance with what they think their duty to the Town, take measures for that purpose — and that said Vote attested by the Town Clerk, be sent to Mr. Jeffry Richardson

[**160.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 20 [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Crafts, Sturgis, Walley, Price, Tilden,

Mr. Crafts & Mr. Sever a Committee to purchase Bulls for the Common —

Mr. Sever a Committee to order repairs to the Fences of the South Burying Ground —

Mr. Sturgis, Colo. Crafts, Deacon Boardman a Committee to carry the Vote of the Town relative to the Burying Ground, into execution —

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Sturgis a Committee to direct the Officer of Police as to carrying the late Vote of the Selectmen into execution, relative to removing empty Carriages, say Carts & Trucks —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 23d. [1796] Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Crafts, Sturgis, Walley,

Ordered that a Meeting of the Town agreable to the request of a number of the Inhabitants, on Monday the 25 Ins^{t}. 10. o Clock A. M:

The Selectmen expect that the Officer of Police will put in execution their Orders of the 13th. of April respecting unoccupied or unused Carts & Trucks as soon after the expiration of the time limitted as convenience will permit. That the expence attending the same be paid for by the Town — that in the mean time he apply to the Overseers of the Almshouse for leave to deposit them in the Work house Yard or to the Owners of what is called the Pound for the same purposes — that no Carts or Trucks so removed be deliver'd to the Persons claiming the same without reimbursting the Town the expence of removal & giving and leaving the Names of the Persons owners of the same & that the Officer of Police make returns to the Selectmen as soon [as possible] **[161.]** of the number of Carts & Trucks if any that he has removed with the Names of the Persons owning them that measures may be taken immediately for prosecuting them so as to prevent such Nuisances in future —

The Comm^{ee}. to whom was committed the representation of Will. Tileston Clap — Report — That having made enquiry they find that there is no reason in their opinion for said representation & that the same be dismissed — which Report is accepted

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25. 1796 Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Little, Tilden, Sturgis,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 27^{t} — [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Tilden, Crafts, Sturgis, Walley, Edwards, Little, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Committee appointed on the 13^{t} Ins^{t}. Report, That they are of Opinion that it would be ornimental to the Town to have the works levelled & the Ditches filled up on Fort Hill under the direction of the Selectmen; provided that the same can be done without any (or a small expence) to the Town.—

M^{r}. Bacon applies for liberty to open & clean or to make a new Drain from his House in Temple Street into the Common Shore — Liberty is accordingly granted, provided the Ground & Pavement is restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

M^{r}. Walley, Crafts, Sturgis, a Comm^{e}. relative to Hay Market — Faneuil Hall Market & whether the price of Stalls should not be raised

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 2^{d}. 1796 Present Messrs: Tilden, Crafts, Sturgis, Edwards, Walley, Boardman, Little,

[162.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 4^{t} [1796] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Sturgis, Edwards, Crafts, Price, Boardman, Little,

Ordered that a Warrant be prepared for Town Meeting on Wednesday next 10. O Clock. A: M: for choice of Representatives —

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little a Committee to request Dr. Stillman to open Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Sever & Deacon Tilden a Committee to let the Bull Pasture —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 12 [1796] Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards.

Met relative to the Incroachments made by the Buildings on Towns Land near Rope Walks —

Mr. John Lothrop appointed, to deliver an Oration in commemoration of Independence declared the 4t. of July 1776 —

Mr. Edwards & Mr. Little, a Committee to acquaint him, that he is appointed & to ask an answer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 18 [1796] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Crafts, Edwards, Little,

Thomas K. Jones applies for liberty to erect a Tomb in the South Burying Ground — Granted he complying with the directions of the Committee appointed for the regulating said Burying Ground —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23d. [1796] Present Mess: Price, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Sturgis, Little,

Nathl. Langdon, Capt. Philip Merritt, drawn Grand Jurors Nathl. Davis. Wm. Crafts — drawn as Petit Jurors for Circuit Court in June next —

Mr. Crafts, Edwards, Sturgis & Sever a Committee to make a final Settlement with Mr. Richardson & Davis relative [**163.**] to Incroachments on Pleasant Street —

Mr. Walley & Mr. Boardman a Committee on the Petition relative to Passage Way leading from Ann Street through Merchants Row into State Street — & to Report thereon to the Board —

Voted that and Advertizement offering a reward of thirty Dollars for the discovery of the Person or Persons who have damaged the Trees in the Common —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 30t. [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Sturgis, Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

Mr. William Banton applys for leave to exhibit in the Common a Camera Obscura at such times as he may think proper — on which he was told that the Selectmen had no objection —

The Building of a Tomb by Mr. Herrin is suspended untill further orders —— on further consideration — Granted

On the application of Jacob Keen for the Building a Tomb adjoining to one begun by said Herrin — granted he complying with regulations of the Selectmen relative to Tombs apply'd for in the new Burying Ground

Mr. Samuel Sprague applies for liberty to build a Tomb in the New Burying Ground, adjoining to one building by Deacon Thaxter. — he complying with the regulations of the Selectmen — Liberty is granted him —

James Stimpsons Indentures, who binds himself to George Pollard placed on the Files —

A Commee. from the Fire Wards, Report that in the Opinion of the Fire Wards Engine No. 7 — is in so poor a state that it will be most for the Interest of the Town a new one should be provided.

[**164.**] Colo. Crafts, Sever & Sturgis a Committee to Agree with the Proprietors of New Theatree, respecting a quantity of Gravel & to direct as to the placing it, provided, the charge does not exceed forty Dollars —

Samuel Hastings applys by Mr. Sturgis for tne Building a Tomb in the new Burying Ground, next to Mr. Keens — Granted upon the conditions of the other Grants —

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Sturgis, Mr. Edwards a Commee to carry into execution the orders of the Town with respect to a Temporary Deposit for the Dead

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1st. [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Price, Sturgis, Crafts, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Stephen Gorham Esq. on his application is permitted to open a Drain into the Common Shore in Milk Street for cleaning the same, he observing the Steps of the Law as to Notifying those who enter into said Drain & seeing the same repaired to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

see June 8

On the application of the Antient & Honble. Artillery Compy. for the use of Faneuil Hall Monday next. Liberty is granted on the usual conditions —

Colo. Crafts & Mr. Edwards on the application of John Codman & others for the removing a Fish Market are appointed a Committee, to consider the same & to Report thereon —

Mess: Brown, Knapp, Gorden, (Mackey, Green, Homer, Have given up ye right of applin) are permitted to build Tombs on the South East side of the Common — on the usual conditions — beginning on the one granted to Samuel Hastings —

[**165.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8th. [1796] Present Messrs: Crafts, Sturgis, Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards,

Samuel Todd to have liberty to build a Tomb in the new Burying Ground on the usual conditions, next to the six granted to Brown & others —

Mr. Jepson a Collector of Taxes for 1794 having produced the Treasurers Receipts — has liberty to take up his Bonds given in said Year —

Edward Blake on application is permitted to Build a Tomb next to Deacon Thaxters, Mr. Sprague having relinquished the Grant

made to him; upon condition of his complying with the terms of last Year, he having at that time a Tomb engaged to him on the then conditions of such Grants

Col°. Crafts, Mr. Sturgis & Mr. Edwards, appointed a Committee to advertize the Sale of Land on Fort Hill either in one or more Lotts, as they shall Judge most for the Interest of the Town —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Sturgis a Committee relative to paving Bowdoin Square —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 10 [1796] — Present Mess: Price, Sturgis, Edwards,

The Constable to whom was committed the Venire for the choice of Petit Jurors for the Circuit Court now setting did not appear at the time the Warning was given for the Town to meet & no Venire was given in by Constᵉ. May

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11 [1796] — Present Messrs: Price, Crafts, Edwards, Sturgis, Sever,
Francis Wright —
Stephen Higginson Esq
were chosen Petit Jurors for Circuit Court

[**166.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 15, [1796] Present Messrs: Sturgis, Sever, Edwards, Price, Crafts, Boardman,

Mr. Sever, Col°. Crafts & Mr. Sturgis a Committee for to compleat the Pavement on the Neck heretofore agreed to be done —

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Edwards a Committee relative to White Bread Alley

Deacon Boardman & Mr. Edwards a Committee relative to repairing Pavement in North Street —

On the application of the Cadet Company by their Committee, they are permitted to have the use of the West end Chamber above Faneuil Hall for a temporary Deposit for the Fire Arms of said Company —

The Selectmen agreed upon a Visit to Deer Island on Monday next being the 20ᵗ. Insᵗ.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June [22, 1796] Present Mess: Crafts, Sturgis, Price, Edwards, Boardman, Tilden,

The Selectmen visited Deer Island Monday last and found the Buildings & Land in good Order — they were accompanied by a number of Citizens — & had an agreable time — the only disagreable appearance, was, the visible diminution of that important head Land, which is the great security to the Harbour of Boston —

Col°. Crafts, Sturgis, Edwards, Tilden & Sever a Commᵉᵉ. under whose direction the Inspector of Police is immediately to proceed in cleansing the Streets, to be finished before the 4ᵗ. of July next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27 [1796] Present Mess: Boardman, Tilden, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis,

Passed upon Accounts —

The Town Clerk is directed to prepare & issue by Order of the Selectmen a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Monday the 4t. of July next at Faneuil Hall 9. o Clock, in commemoration of the Day of Declaration of INDEPENDENCE being [**167.**] the 4t. of July A: D. 1776 — Memo. No printed Notifications were distributed —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 29 [1796] Present Messrs: Tilden, Boardman, Price, Edwards, Sturgis, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts

Town Clerk directed to return draught, the same having been examined by the Selectmen —

Agreed to have a Dinner on the Wednesday the 6t. of July next, as usual on the Day of the Visitation of Schools — List of Persons to be invited on file —

The Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Fryday the 8 Day of July next 10 O Clock A: M: —

Mr. Tilden & Mr. Sturgis a Committee to order repairs at the lower end of Quaker Lane —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1. 1796 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Met as to the Warrant for Town Meeting —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 2d. 1796 — Present Messrs: Price, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Boardman,

The Warrant for Town Meeting compleated —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 12t. 1796 Present [Mess:] Boardman, Edwards, Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Crafts —

Met for the choice of Jury Men, but the Constable who had the Venire did not attend —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13. 1796 Pressent Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Little, Crafts,

Three Jurors for District Court drawn out of Superior Box Vizt.

[**168.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 16t. [1796] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Crafts, Little,

Met relative to the List of Jurors, but the Assessors were not ready with the List of Names from their books

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 18 [1796] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Crafts, Boardman, Sever, Tilden, Sturgis,

Colo. Crafts, Mr. Sturgis & Tilden to agree with Mr. Otis

relative to levelling the Works on Fort Hill & to compleat the new Road —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25 [1796] — Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Crafts, Boardman, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 10/6 p Bushel & that 12^{d}. p Bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

	lb.	oz.	dr.
a 2^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -		8	1
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread - - d^{o}. - - - - - -	1		2
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Brick Bread d^{o}. - - - - - -		14	2
Biskets of 2 Copper price - - d^{o}. - - - - - -		8	1
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal d^{o}.	1	8	2
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian - -	2		

The Town Clerk is directed to publish the Assize from time [to time] in the Chronicle & Centinel, who are to be paid therefor & to Post up & deliver Assizes to the Clerks &c. as usual —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26 [1796] Present Mess. Boardman, Crafts, Sturgis,

Met to examine & prepare the Jury List in order to lay the same before the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 27. 1796 Present Mess: Boardman, Sturgis, Sever, Price, Crafts, Walley, Tilden,

[**169.**] The Selectmen agree upon a Report to the Town relative to the Jury Lists —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 3^{d}. [1796] Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Tilden, Sever, Crafts, Sturgis, Edwards, Price,

Ordered, that three of the Acts relative to Legal Settlements, be framed & glazed — one to be placed in Selectmens Room — one for Custom house — d^{o}. for Alms house —

A Committee from the Bakers appear & complain as to the late Assize of Bread

M^{r}. Waters is permitted to go on building his Oven —

On application of the Bakers Ordered that the Assize be altered. & now stated at the rate of Flour at 11$\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars —

On Motion the above Vote reconsidered & the Clerks of Market are to be requested not to walk for inspection of Bread untill further Orders from Selectmen —

The Vote respecting those who have Tombs, is so far reconsidered, as that they are not required to remove the Gravel —

M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Hunnewell & Frederick William Geyer, have liberty to build Tombs in the new Burying Ground — also M^{r}. Rufus G. Amory, on the Street

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 10th. [1796]

Present Messrs. Boardman, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Price, Sever, Crafts,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 16 [1796] Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Crafts —

[170.] Met and proceeded with a number of Gentlemen in the Hingham Packet for Rainsfords Island, in order to view the state of the Island & the Hospital placed by the General Court under their care, and to give the necessary Orders for the good management of the same —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 17 [1796] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Crafts, Tilden, Price,

M^{r}. Joseph Foster applys for liberty to carry a Drain acros Federal Street from the Crescent Buildings

M^{r}. Foster has liberty accordingly —

Voted that on the application of M^{r}. Mungo Mackey & others to have that part of Cambridge Street paved, begining at Deacon Newells & meeting the other part of the Pavements near Temple Street Conditioned, the side of the Way to have butting Stones & be laid with Brick or Flagg Stones — M^{r}. Sever, Tilden & Sturgis are a Committee appointed, for seeing the same done to the satisfaction of Selectmen —

Col^{o}. Waters is directed by the Board to call upon M^{r}. Eliot & D^{r}. Hall to remove the Incumbrance of Clay & Water, wherewith the Road is incommoded —

sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 22^{d} [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis, Price, Little,

Passed upon the List of Licensed Persons the last Year, as p Copy on file — as also Persons licensed anew —

The Auchtioneers of last Year, apply for the approbation of the Selectmen, for the present Year, — Viz^{t}. —

M^{r}. Samuel Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas Kilbey Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Mollineux
[171.] William Alline Robert Gardner —
William Bayless
Samuel Bradford Esq.
Benjamin Alline
John William Fulsome
John Badger —
John Perkins
Edward Procter — did not take one
George Deblois
Nicholas Brown

see Octo^{r}. 3^{d} —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 24t. [1796] Present Messrs: Walley, Tilden, Edwards, Crafts, Boardman, Price, Sturgis, Little,

Mr. Samuel A. Ruddock applies to the Selectmen for their liberty to open a School under the Title of an *Accounting* School — through. the Town Clerk, which was rejected as the application was irregular —

There was a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 12 Day of August Inst. at Mr. Russell Sturgis's House at which were present of the Selectmen Mess: Price, Walley, Crafts, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis —

Mr. Edwards informed that two Persons had died at the Northward suspected of having the Yellow Fever which had greatly alarm'd the Inhabitants — Mr. Delleway the Owner of the Vessel, the Captain being out of Town, was sent for — he declared the Men were discharged from his Vessell, when they appear'd to be well, having done their duty on board the Day of discharge. Mr. Edwards had previously given orders that the Man last dead should be buried privately & was requested to see it done which he did. he had also conversed with Dr. Jeffries who had attended the sick Person, & was informed by him it was not of that malignant nature as to cause any great alarm. The Officer of Police being present was directed by the Selectmen to wait on all the Physicians & request of them to give an account of the health of the Inhabitants & desire them, should any Persons appear infected with any contageous or malignant disorders to [**172.**] report the same to the Selectmen as soon as possible — & also to inform the People out of whose House the two Persons had died, that if any Persons should be taken sick, that they would give him immediate information thereof — On the 17 Inst. the Officer of Police made the following Return to the Selectmen — viz —

Agreably to Orders of Selectmen, Mr. Waters immediately attended to the business assign'd him & Reports that he has seen & conversed with twenty-three of the Town Physicians of the Town (four of them he has not seen which makes all that he knows of) who will attend to the request of the Selectmen in making known to them without delay, any dangerous disorders — He took the liberty of enquiring of them as to the health of the Town as also of all Gentlemen of the Clergy he has had opportunity of seeing & with peculiar satisfaction he Reports, that it is very healthy for the season — he thinks it is his duty to add that several of the Faculty have recommended in the strongest terms attention to all the Streets, by causing all things tending to putridity to be removed & by close attention stagnant Waters &c to be prevented — The Houses in which the Persons died who arrived in Mr. Dillaways Schooner have been well cleansed, should any be taken sick, the Occupiers have promised to Report the same immediately —

Mr. Walley, Little & Sturgis a Commee. relative to paving the South side of State Street from Quaker Lane to Colo. Colmans with Bricks —

Messrs: Boardman, Little, & Sturgis a Committee to direct repairs to Engine House on Mill Creek —

Mr. Sever, Little & Sturgis a Commee. to examine the new Engine & to Report what may be necessary to be done thereon —

[**173.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27. [1796] Present Messrs: Crafts, Tilden, Edwards, Walley, Price, Little, Sturgis,

The following Order was passed & ordered to be published in Hand Bills &c — Viz —

WHEREAS by Orders of the Selectmen dated April 3d 1796 — A number of the Hackney Carriages were permitted to stand in State Street untill further Orders: and whereas it has now become necessary to make an alteration —

It is therefore Ordered — that no Hackney Carriage shall stand in any part of said Street, untill they have permission therefor — as p Copy on file

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 29. 1796 Present Mess: Tilden, Edwards, Walley, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 31. 1796 Present Messrs: Edwards, Crafts, Boardman, Walley,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Eight extra petit Jurors for Supreme J. Court drawn & entred & posted in Jury Books —

Mr. Paul Baxter — Cooper, being well recommended by Stephen Gorham, the Lambs & other Merchants, applies to be appointed an Inspector of pickled Fish Pork &c —

On the letter of Oliver Wendell Esq in behalf of himself & others requesting a written permission that they may at their own expence place a Pump in the Well on the summit of Fort Hill & secure the same in the most reputable manner for their use & the use of the Town generally — Voted

[**174.**] That the said request be complied with & they have permission accordingly, provided that their permission be not so construed as to give them any exclusive propriety in said Well, or Pump, or to prevent the Town, or any future Selectmen, to take any order respecting said Well, which they may think proper

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. [2. 1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis —

ORDERED that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 12/6 p Bushel & that twelve Pence p bushel be allowd to the Bakers for their charges pains & livelihood which is computed as follows — vizt —

	lb.	oz.	dr
a 4d. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - -	—	13	8
8d. Ditto - - - - - - ditto - - - - - -	1	11	—
4d. Brick Loaf of Bread do - - - - - - -	—	12	8
8d. Ditto - - - - - - ditto - - - - - -	1	9	—
Biskets of 3 Coppers price do - - - - - - -	—	6	12
a 4d. Loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ Rye Meal do	1	4	2
4d. brown Loaf not above half Indian Meal do	2	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 7. [1796] Present Messrs. Crafts, Tilden, Sever, Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Sturgis, Little,

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George C. Cammell was drawn for last Draught 12 .. 18/ instead of 43 — the difference being 30 Dollars 82 Cents, he will have a draft for next draft Day —

On the Petition of M^{r}. Sales Professor of Languages for permission to keep a French Evening School in the Center Reading School — Voted, that such permission be not granted the Selectmen apprehending that they cannot be Justified, in granting the use of a publick School house to any private School Master whatsoever —

M^{r}. John Tuckerman has liberty to build a Tomb on the range of Fosters Pasture, on the usual conditions

[**175.**] M^{r}. Crafts, M^{r}. Edwards, M^{r}. Sever a Committee to confer with the Aqueduct Committee —

Charles Sewells Indentures, to Mungo Makay approved of by the Selectmen, as on file of mix'd Papers

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^{r}. — [1796] Present Messrs. Crafts, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Boardman,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^{r}. 14. 1796 Present Messrs: Walley, Crafts, Boardman, Sever, Tilden, Edwards, Little, Sturgis,

M^{r}. William Crosby has liberty to build a Tomb on the range of Fosters Pasture, on the usual conditions —

M^{r}. Walley, Edwards & Sturgis a Comm^{ee}. to take up the matter relative to the Trees destroy'd in the Common &^{c}. & to Report to the Board — M^{r}. Tilden is added to this Comm^{e} in the room of M^{r}. Sturgis who is excused —

Ordered that Thomas Spear, take charge of the State Boat for the use of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island who when M^{r}. Laha leaves the Island, is appointed to the care of said Hospital —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 15 — [1796] Present Messrs: Price, Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis,

The Selectmen having been informed that there are various Reports propogated in the Neighbouring Towns purporting that the Yellow Fever or some other very contagious Disorder is prevalent in this Town although they were themselves satisfied that such Report were void of foundation, yet to give the greater satisfaction to their Country Brethren, they requested a Meeting of the Physicians of the Town & the result of their Meeting was the following —

The Physicians of Boston being requested by the Selectmen of the Town to give their opinions respecting the state of the health of the Inhabitants — unanimously declare [**176.**] That there is no Yellow Fever existing in this Town, and although a bilious Fever is now in some degree prevalent it is by no means more fatal than

usual at this season of the Year — and it is their opinion that fewer Persons have fallen sacrifises to diseases this Summer & Autumn than in their memory —

SAM. DANFORTH
p Order

The aforegoing signed by all the Selectmen & attested by the Town Clerk is to be published in all the News Papers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 20. 1796 A: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Sturgis —

Voted, that the Overseers of the Poor, Col^{o}. Dawes, M^{r}. Sam: Brown & Judge Minot together with the Physicians be requested to meet with the Selectmen this Afternoon 3 — O Clock, to consult what measures would be most elejible to preserve the Town from the spreading of any infectious Disorder —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 20 1796. P: M: Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Little, Sturgis,

Voted, that M^{r}. Newells Family be removed to Rainsfords Island, to Morrow as soon as may be they having consented thereto, & the expence therof to be defray'd by Monies in D^{r}. Thatchers hands — Col^{o}. Waters is requested to have the House &^{c}. cleansed as he shall Judge necessary, to give notice to M^{r}. Spear to be ready with the Hospital Boat in his keeping, for such purposes —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21. [1796] Present Mess: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Two Jurors for Circuit Court, Grand Jurors vizt —

George Langley, Luke Baker Junr three Petit Jurors for said Court vizt —

entred in Jury Book

[**177.**] M^{r}. Walley, M^{r}. Tilden, M^{r}. Sturgis, a Committee on M^{r}. Stephen Gorhams request —

M^{r}. Crafts, M^{r}. Tilden & M^{r}. Sturgis a Comm^{e}. on M^{r}. Green & M^{r}. Blanchards Nusance of Cellar Door & Posts —

The following Questions were on the Yesterday put to the Physicians of the Town, to which answers were requested —

1st. Is there existing in this Town any disorder of such an infectious & malignant nature as to endanger the health of the Inhabitants in general — answer — no

2nd. Is there any such disorder confined to any particular part of the Town as to endanger the health of the Inhabitants in that part? — answer, yess —

3^{d}. Is the Disorder in so high degree infectious as to be communicated at any considerable distance — answer — no

4^{t}. May it be conveyed in Clothing or Goods of any kind — answer yess —

5^{t}. Is there any case existing where it is thought necessary to remove Persons either sick or well — answer yess

6^{t}. Or what measures in general are necessary to be taken to prevent the spread of any such disorder — answer

It is recommended as indispensibly necessary that every Person reported to the Selectmen by the attending Pysicians to be sick in such places as are infectious, should be removed out of Town to Rainsfords Island & that the well be removed to some place where there has been no infection that the Houses, Yards, Cellars & all other places around such Houses be cleansed by white washing, washing with Vinegar & exposing them for a number of Days to the free circulation of the Air — throwing unslacked Lime into the Yards, Cellars & Necessaries, all Hog Sties removed — that after the decease of any Person, that all the Bedding Linnen, Wollen, of all sorts be cleansed or exposed to the Air, after they have been [**178.**] Smoked and in order, that the Disorder may be prevented from taking place in other parts of the Town the Yards, Lanes, Alleys & Streets be immediately cleansed & the filth removed —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 22^{d} — 1796 A: M. Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Tilden, Crafts,

The Selectmen met this Forenoon, in order to proceed in a Body to the House of the French Consul, where the Minister of France on a Visit to the Town, resides, that as Selectmen they might shew their respect to the Minister, and to the Republic of France which he represents, through him —

The Selectmen accordingly waited upon the French Minister at 12. O Clock the time he informed them he should wish to receive them, p the Town Clerk, who had previously been sent to him — He was addressed by the Chairman M^{r}. Price much to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, & received from the Minister a very polite & friendly reply —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 24 1796 Present Messrs: Boardman, Price, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 26. 1796 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Price, Crafts,

Passed upon Accounts —

M^{r}. Thom^{s}. Bayley proposes Henry Bass & his Brother James Bayley as Bondsmen for him as Collector of Taxes

M^{r}. Benjamin Jepson proposes Herman Brimmer & Benjamin Sumner Senr. as his Bondsmen

M^{r}. Benjamin Henderson proposes Thomas Parker & Enoch James as his Bondsmen —

M^{r}. James Thompson proposes his last Years Bondmen as his Bondsmen for the present Year, vizt. Isaiah Doane & Nathl. Spear Merch^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 28. 1796 Present Mess: Tilden, Price, Boardman, Edwards, Sturgis. Crafts, —

[**179.**] Passed upon other Accounts —

Mr. Ezra Parmenter Capt. of Engine No. 11 — recommended by his Company, is accordingly appointed by the Selectmen

Passed upon the List of new applications for the approbation of Selectmen, as Inholders & Retailers — as p List on file —

Mr. Crafts & Sever a Commee. to procure Wood for South Schools

Mr. Tilden & Sturgis for Centre Schools

Mr. Edwards & Little Commee. for North Schools —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 3d. 1796 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Tilden, Edwards, Boardman, Crafts, Sturgis, Little,

Passed upon applications for Inholders & Retailers as p a List on file in addition to former list —

At this Meeting called for the purpose of Licensing Auchtioneers for this Town who applied Augt. 22d. for being appointed — the following Persons were approved of for Licences — vizt. —

Mr. Samuel Clap
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas Kilby Jones
Joshua Eaton
Robert Mollineux —
William Alline
William Bayless
Samuel Bradford Esq
Benjamine Alline
John W. Fulsome
John Badger
John Perkins
Nicholas Brown
Capt. Robert Gardner

see October 5 & 28 April 12t.

[180.] Mr. Spear keeper of Hospital at Rainsfords Island permitted to let Mr. Newells Children leave the Island, but said Children are prohibited from returning to the House from whence they were removed —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 5. 1796 Present Messrs: Edwards, Sever, Sturgis, Tilden, Crafts, Boardman, Little,

Copy of Pompy De Ginnis Indentures, approv'd by Selectmen & placed upon file of mix'd Papers —

The Persons approved of & licensed as Auchtioneers October 3d. were furnished with Certificates of the following tenor—

Boston Octor. 3d. 1796

The Subscribers Selectmen of said Town at a Meeting had for that purpose, do approve of & License Mr. —— of Boston to sell any Goods or Chattels at public Vendue or Outcry in said Town for the term of one Year commencing the first of July last. he conforming himself to an Act of the General Court passed in 1795 for regulating the Sale of Goods at public Vendue

signed p the Selectmen

Ordered that a Warrant be prepared for a Town Meeting October 16.— 10 O'Clock A: M:

M^{r}. Edes to have printing of Notifications

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 10 [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Crafts, Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Walley, Price,

The Bonds given by the several Collectors having been laid before the Selectmen & approved, a Certificate was given them for the Assessors in order for the delivery of the Tax Books to the Collectors —

Information given by D^{r}. Rand the 3^{d} — that the Brigg Betsy, Capt. Hodgkins from Martinequo — having lost several [**181.**] Persons by an infectious disorder — she was ordered with all the People to Rainsfords Island, to be smoked & cleansed Vessell & Cargo — all to remain, untill further Orders —

The Orders to M^{r}. Thomas Spear Keeper of Rainsfords Island are as follows — vizt.—

The Brig^{t}. Betsy, Capt. Hodgkins having lost several of his People by an infectious disorder the said Brig is sent down to Rainsfords Island — the People to remain on board or to go on shore only at the Island — the Vessel Cargo Beds Bedding & every other Article liable to infection is to be thoroughly smoked & cleansed — no one of the Inhabitants is to be suffered to go on board said Vessel — when our directions are executed you will inform us & wait the further Orders of the Board —

By Order of Selectmen
William Cooper Town Clerk.

The following was wrote to John Marston & others Owners of said Brig^{e} — vizt —

Gentlemen

The Board of Selectmen of Boston order the Brig^{t}. Betsy, Capt. Hodgkins immediately down to Rainsfords Island, there to be cleansed under the directions of M^{r}. Thos. Spear no Person is to be allowed to go on board said Brig^{e}. neither any of the Crew to go on Shore at any other place but said Island — you will attend to furnish said Vessel with any necessaries for said purposes, and wait the further Orders of the Board —

By Order of Selectmen
William Cooper Town Clerk.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 12. 1796 Present Messrs: Walley, Crafts, Sturgis, Tilden, Sever, Little, Edwards,

Benjamin Bussey & Daniel Ingalls — have liberty to build a Tomb in the new Burying Ground on the terms which others have taken them on —

Treasurer Clap is to Credit the Town for $50 — which was drawn for in Draught & was not taken up by M^{rs}. Clausten who had a draft last month for the whole allowed her by the Town

[**182.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 19.

1796 Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Walley —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the 12 Ins^{t}. — Voted, that not any Person be allowed to take any Gravel from the new Buryal Ground & that Col^{o}. Waters acquaint M^{r}. Geyer of the Vote —

M^{r}. Spear Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island acquaints the Selectmen that he had thoroughly cleansed the Brigg. Betsy, & that no danger can arise on her being permited to come up to Town — his Certificate rec^{d}. Yesterday & is placed on the Selectmens files —

John Wier has liberty to build a Tomb in the New Burial Ground on the terms which others have taken them —

John Jutau applies for a License as an Auctioneer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 26. 1796 Present Mess^{r}: Boardman, Edwards, Tilden, Sever, Walley, Sturgis, Little,

Warrant to be issued for a Town Meeting for the choice of one Representative for the 1st. Middle District & Electors for President & Vice President —

M^{r}. Walley & M^{r}. Sever a Comm^{ee}. to wait on D^{r}. Howard & request his opening the ensuing Town Meeting with Prayer — for choice of a Representative for Congress & one Elector of President &^{c} —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 29. 1796 Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Walley, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis, Sever,

Ordered that Col^{o}. Waters as Officer of Police prosecute Jonathan Spear for placing his Carriages on State Street, contrary to the Orders of the Selectmen, & to a Law of the State in this case made & provided —

[**183.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 31 [1796] Present Messrs: Edwards, Sturgis, Sever, Tilden, Boardman,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 2^{d}. 1796 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Tilden, Little, Boardman, Sturgis Walley,

Passed upon Accounts —

M^{r}. Peter Geyer is permitted to set his Fish Shed at the bottom of Bennet Street over the Water in the middle of the Head of said Abutment —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 7. 1796 Present Messrs: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Walley, Tilden, Sturgis,

Mess Tilden, Little & Sturgis a Comm^{ee}. to wait on Govr Adams, & request that he would order the Commander in Chief at

Castle William, not to stop Vessels coming from the West Indies, unless sickness is on board

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. 9 1796 Present Mess: Price, Little, Tilden, Sturgis,

Capt. Josiah Wheeler & William Wyman, applies for a Tomb in the new Burial Ground —— Walley,

M^{r}. Little, Sturgis & Tilden a Comm^{ee}. on George Street incroachments & Sudbury Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 16. 1796 Present Messrs: Tilden, Price, Sever, Walley, Edwards, Boardman, Sturgis,

William Collins residing in Boston having neither Father nor Guardian binds himself to Moses Barnard Mariner, with the approbation of the Selectmen, as will appear by one of the Indentures on the File of mixed Papers —

Thomas Thompson applies for leave to build a Tomb in the new Burying Ground on the usual conditions

[**184.**] Benjamin Robinson a Minor binds himself to Thomas Barber, with the approbation of the Selectmen as by Indentures on file of mixed Papers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 23^{d} [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Sturgis, Sever, Price, Little.

Capt. James of Engine N°. 10. applies for a Premium for being first with his Engine at the late Fire in Union Street on the 23^{d}. of Feby. JOHN THOMPSON Master of Endeavor N°. 4 — applies for same

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 28. 1796 Present Messrs: Boardman, Edwards, Sturgis, Crafts, Little,

Passed upon Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr 30. [1796] Present Messrs: Edwards, Boardman, Sturgis, Price, Sever, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 7. 1796 Present Messrs: Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Little,

Passed upon Licensed Persons & the return made by the above named Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 14 [1796] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Boardman, Little, Edwards,

M^{r}. Spear, Keeper of Rainsfords Island, permitted to let one West Wilkins, who has had the small Pox leave the Island, he having reported, that he is free from any Infection —

Benjamin Silsby on application has liberty to make tryal for three months to provide suitable Persons for sweeping Chimnies, without another appointment in that term —

[**185.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 21.

1796 Present Messrs Price, Sever, Sturgis, Boardman, Tilden, Little,

The Selectmen have agreed to meet Fryday next 3 O Clock P. M: in order to proceed in the execution of the late Act relative to Hackney Carriages — & the Owners of the Hacks are to be notified to appear if they see cause by a Comm^{ee} at Selectmens Chamber when they will be heard on this matter —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 23^{d}. [1796] Present Messrs: Boardman, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Little, Price,

Ordered, that the Collectors be notified to make return to the Selectmen on Monday next of the Sums Collected by them in their respective Wards in the manner they are directed by a Law of this Commonwealth — also the Town Treasurer —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 26 [1796] Present Mess: Boardman, Tilden, Price, Sever, Edwards, Little, Crafts,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 28. 1796 Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Tilden, Edwards, Little, Crafts,

M^{r}. Sever & M^{r}. Little a Committee to agree with M^{r}. Dall for the placing an Engine House on his Land, & to have leave to remove it, when the Selectmen think proper —

sent

The Selectmen took into consideration the expediency of affixing the Assize of Bread, whereupon

[**186.**] ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 11/6 p bushel, & that 12^{d} p Bushel be allowed [to the Bakers] for their charges pains & livelihood which is computed as follows — vizt. —

			lb	oz	dr
a 4^{d}. penny loaf of white Bread must weigh		- -	—	14	13
8^{d}. penny white Loaf - - -	d°	- -	1	13	10
8^{d}. Brick Loaf - - - - - -	d°	- -	1	11	10
4^{d}. Brick Loaf - - - - - -	d°	- -	—	13	13
Biskets of 3 Copper price -	d°	- -	—	7	7
a 4^{d}. Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$ Rye - - - - - -	d°	- -	1	4	2
a 4^{d}. Brown Loaf not above $\frac{1}{2}$ Indian - - - - - - - -	d°	- -	2	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 30. 1796 Present Messrs: Price, Sever, Crafts, Edwards, Tilden —

On Report of Thomas Appleton, Carpenter of an attempt to set Fire to his work Shop by enkindling Shavins, Capt. Tilden is requested to employ two suitable Persons for a watch, to patrole the Streets in a Slay — the Town Watch are also directed to be very

vigilant that if any attempts are made the Persons concerned may be discovered.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 2^{d}. 1797 Present Mess: Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Sever, Tilden,

The Selectmen being informed, that a M^{r}. Cressens had advertized an exhibition to be performed on Saturday Evening the 31st. Decem^{r}. last directed the Officer of Police to acquaint said Cressens, that it would be highly disagreable to the Inhabitants as well as the Selectmen whereupon he laid aside the intended exhibition & assured the Selectmen, that he should not attempt anything of the kind on said Evening —

[**187.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany 4^{t}. [1797] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Little,

Bakers attended & offered objections to the last Assize on Bread as stated by the Selectmen

Judge Wendell, M^{r}. Sweetser & M^{r}. Sargeant a Comm^{e} from the Proprietors of Long Wharff, requested permission to open the Streets for the purpose of carrying Water from some Spring near Water Street to the Wharff —

M^{r}. Little, Tilden & Edwards a Comm^{e}. to confer with said Proprietors of Long Wharff —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 11. 1797 Present Messrs: Boardman, Little, Sever, Tilden,

Henry Lovereign in the room of M^{r}. Barry as an Engine Man for Engine N°. 8 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 18th [1797] — Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Edwards,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 25. 1797 Present Mess: Boardman, Sturgis, Sever, Edwards, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 30 [1797] — Present Messrs: Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Price, Edwards, Little, Sturgis,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 1^{t}. 1797 — Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Capt. Hanners of Engine N°. 4 — the Company having upon his resignation chosen M^{r}. John Thompson in his room the Selectmen approve of the choice —

[**188.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 2^{d}. [1797] Present Messrs: Walley, Boardman, Edwards, Crafts, Sever, Sturgis,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 8. 1797 Present Messrs: Sturgis, Sever, Boardman, Walley, Edwards, Crafts, Little,

Fryday next 12 oClock, Selectmen meet for the choice of Jurymen a Meeting being called for that purpose —

Papers relative to transactions on the late Act relative to Hacks have been deposited in the strong Box —

Ordered that a Warrant may be prepared for a Town Meeting. Wednesday next 10-OClock, — being 15^{t} Ins^{t}

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 10. 1797 — Present Mess: Walley, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Sturgis,

Jurors drawn for Feby. S. J. Court — 18 Grand 24 Petit

M^{r}. Edwards & Little a Committee to wait upon a Comm^{ee} of General Court relative to regulations of Meal & Fire Wood

The Vote relative to a Town Meeting reconsidered March Meeting —

Col^{o}. Crafts, M^{r}. Little, Edwards, Sturgis, a Comm^{ee}. to confer with the Proprietors of Long Wharff

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 15. 1797 Present Messrs: Edwards,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 23^{d}. 1797 Present Messrs: Boardman, Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Walley, Crafts,

Liberty granted on the application of Thom^{s}. Walley Esq. & Charles Miller, to open & repair a Common Shore or Drain leading [**189.**] from Federal Street to Atkinson Street, they notifying all Persons concerned to show cause if any they have on Monday the 27 Ins^{t}. at Selectmens Chamber. 4. OClock — why proceedure should not be had thereon —

M^{r}. Nazro to give notice to M^{r}. Pease Master of Engine N°. 5. to attend Monday next. 4 OClock P.M:

Col^{o}. Waters is directed to cut down the two Fences stopping up Grays Lane so called which Lane is 20 feet wide leading from Atkinson Street round to Milk Street

sent

Col^{o}. Waters is directed to apply to M^{r}. Daniel Sears & request him to remove the encroachments made on the high Way, in Gibbs Lane — & in case of refusal to proceed immediately in cutting down the same —

sent —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 27. 1797 — Present Messrs: Boardman, Sturgis, Tilden, Edwards, Walley, Little, Sever,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28. 1797 Present Messrs. Walley, Boardman, Sever, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts.

M^r^. Newman who has rang the Bell at N^o^. Church is directed to cease ringing said Bells & M^r^. Nazro is to inform him of the same

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 1. 1797 Present Messrs: Tilden, Crafts, Sever, Boardman, Sturgis, Price, Walley,

Capt. Corey of Brookline applies for a Stand in the Market N°. 75 — lately improved by Amasa Ellis —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 3^d^. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Crafts, Tilden, Boardman, Walley, Edwards, Little,

[**190.**] Ordered, that a Warrant be issued for March Meeting on the 13 Ins^t^. — 9. O.Clock. A: M:

Rev^d^. D^r^. Lothrop to be requested to open the Town Meeting with Prayer —

M^r^. Little & Boardman a Committee for said purpose

M^r^. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications

The Town Clerk directed to permit Mess: Bayley & Henderson, Collectors of Taxes for 1795 to take up their Bonds given for said Year, they having produced the several Receits from the Treasurers for s^d^. Year in full

Passed upon Capt. Laha State Accounts Feby. 3^d^. for the last Year am^o^. to 44–45 Cents — but no Copy lodged

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 6^t^. [1797] Present Mess: Price, Boardman, Sever, Edwards, Crafts, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Application having been made by M^r^. Blake Hastings & others for a new Street to be laid out, at New Boston where the Rope Walks were consumed, it was agreed by the Selectmen to view the Ground at ½ past 12. O Clock to Morrow —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7 1797 Present Mess: Boardman, Price, Walley, Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Crafts,

The Selectmen view'd the Ground where the late Rope Walks at West Boston stood before the late Fire & confer'd with some of the Abuttors

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 8. 1797 Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Sever, Boardman, Crafts, Edwards, Price,

Capt. Oliver Wiswall of Engine N°. 7. applies for the Premium for playing first at the Fire at M^r^. Turner's House:

Capt. Nazro of N°. 6. for the Premium for the Fire at West Boston Rope Walks —

[**191.**] Capt. James of Engine N°. 10 — applied for Premium at the Fire M^r^. Turners —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 15 [1797] — Present Mess: Edwards, Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Met & agreed as to the manner of carrying the Votes of a late Body Meeting into effect —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 16. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 22^{d} [1797] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Little —

Messrs: Sever, Tilden & Sturgis a Committee to provide one or more Bulls —

Town Clerk directed to prepare a Warrant for Town Meeting the 1^{t}. Monday of April being the 3^{d}. Day for choice of Governor &c.

M^{r}. Sturgis & M^{r}. Edwards — a Committee to request Rev^{d}. D^{r}. Thatcher — — to open said Meeting with Prayer

Thomas English applies for liberty to open a Common Shore in Summer Street in order to clear & repair the same — Ordered that M^{r}. English cause all Persons interested in said Common Shore or where private Drains empty into the same to appear on Wednesday the 29^{t}. Ins^{t}. at the Selectmens Room then & there to shew cause if any they have why liberty should not be granted according to the said application of M^{r}. English —

By Order of the Selectmen
W. C — T. C

A Comm^{ee}. of the Fire-wards attended by order of the Body to request two Engines in the room of N°. 4 & 7 they being much out of repair —

[192.] M^{r}. Sprague & Perin May apply for Tombs in the new Burying Ground — Liberty granted on the common conditions & restrictions of other Grants of the like kind —

Deacon Tilden, M^{r}. Edwards — a Comm^{e}. to view a Bake house said to be erecting at new Boston —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Little a Comm^{ee}. to publish such extracts of the late Laws relative to Buildings as they may Judge proper —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 27. 1797. Present Mess: Sever, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis, Howard,

The Town having by a late Vote reconsidered the Vote for placing a Stone in a Lane on Town Dock leading to Ann Street — Capt. Gleasen is permitted to remove the same

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 29. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Howard, Harris,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Jesse Mayo upon his application has liberty to build a new Tomb in the new burying Ground on the condition & restriction of former Grants of this kind

M^{r}. Edwards, Little & Howard a Committee on M^{r}. Claps request to view a new Building —

Mr. Thompson & Mr. Jepson Collectors of Taxes for 1795 have produced Receipts in full from Treasurer for said Year, the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up their Bonds for said Year —

Mr. Tilden and Harris to enquire & Report the Repairs which may be necessary for the Centre Town Schools — Mr. Edwards added to the Committee —

Mr. Little & Mr. Sturgis a Comme. to order repairs in State Street —

[**193.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 5. 1797. Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Howard, Sturgis, Edwards, Little,

The Town having at their late Meeting referred it to the Selectmen the matter of lighting the Lamps the Selectmen have requested Mr. Little to suspend untill further Orders the Lighting of the Lamps & to dispose of what Oil remains & pay the proceeds thereof into the Town Treasury —

On application of a Commee. of the Proprietors of Long Wharff for liberty to convey Water through the Streets from Water Street to Long Wharff —

Voted, that Mr. Sever, Edwards & Little be a Commee. to confer with them on this business —

The Selectmen a Committee at large to consider & Report the best mode to have the Police of the Town superintended —

The Town having referred the proposition of Allen Crocker & others of giving Deeds of Land adjoining Vincents Alley. for the use of the Town to the Selectmen —

Voted, that Mr. Sever, Edwards & Little be a Comme. to consider the same & Report

Mr. Sever, Edwards & Howard a Committee to procure an accurate Plan of the Land belonging to the Town on each side of the Neck — and also to Lease the Land to Asa Fuller & others —

The above Commee. are also to Lease the other Lands belonging to the Town — & are also a Comme. as to the Slaughter House on the Neck —

[**194.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 12th [1797] Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, Little,

William Trefery applies for liberty to carry a Drain from his House in Battery March into the Common Shore. Liberty is granted conditioned that the Ground is made good & the Pavement restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

David Marston applies for liberty to carry a Drain from his House in Creek Street into the Common Shore — Liberty is granted conditioned that the Ground is made good & the Pavement restored to satisfaction of the Selectmen —

Daniel Bowen applies for a License as an Auchtioneer — for the present year —

see next Page

John William Quincy applies for a License as an Auchtioneer for the present Year — his recommendation on file —

see next Page —

M^r^. Thomas English having applied on the 22^d^. March last to open the Common Shore in Summer Street in order to repair the same, and having represented to the Selectmen that he had agreable to their directions informed & warned all Persons that are interested therein that are in Town agreable to a return on file by Constable May — M^r^. Inglish is therefore permitted to open said Common-Shore, provided the Ground shall be made good and the Pavement restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen as no Person concerned has made any objection thereto —

M^r^. Nazro directed to warn a Meeting of the Selectmen, on Wednesday the 12^t^. Ins^t^. at ¼ past 6. oClock to consider the application of Auchtioneers by M^r^. Bowen & John William Quincy

Wednesday — ¼ past 6 o'Clock —

[**195.**] Selectmen met agreable to Warning —

M^r^. Daniel Bowen approved of as an Auchtioneer untill the next term — being the first of July next (had no Certificate)

M^r^. John William Quincy approved of as an Auchtioneer untill next term being the first of July next —

see April 26^t^.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 19. 1797 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, —

John Trask & others having applied for permission to lay a Drain or Common Shore for their sole benefit, from the bottom of Warren Street, to the Shore of Charles River & to cross Pleasant Street — Liberty is granted, conditioned that the Ground be made good & the Pavement restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

It is agreed that David Hendricks Sexton of the Old South shall ring that Bell at the Hours of 8 .. 1 .. & 9 O.'Clock each Day — at the same rates it was done the last Year by M^r^. Wheelock —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 24. 1797. A: M. Present Messrs. Edwards, Sturgis, Little, Howard, Harris,

Information given that a Sailor on board the Schooner Harriot, Capt. Burgis from Norfolk has the Small Pox — on examination the Captain was directed to convey him to Rainsford Island there to be delivered to the care of the Keeper of the State Hospital — and orders were accordingly given M^r^. Spear, to receive & keep him untill further directions — as by particulars on file —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 24. 1797. P.M: Present Mess: Edwards, Sturgis, Howard, Sever,

Passed upon Accounts

Town Clerk directed to give in the Draught to Town Treasurer, as draughts are to be compleated on Draft Day,

[**196.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 26 [1797.] Present Messrs: Sever, Howard, Sturgis, Tilden, Edwards, Harris, Little,

Passed upon other Accounts as the Draught has not yet been delivered the Treasurer —

Matthew Clark in Comp^y. with William Eustis applies for a License to dispose of Merchandize as a Auchtioneer

Thomas Gardner a Black Man from Nantucket having been well recommended, is appointed a Chimney Sweeper for this Town — and a Badge N°. 19. has been delivered him — his recommendation is placed upon the file of mix'd Papers —

M^r. Thomas Spear Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island having Reported that a Daniel Eaton who was sent to said Hospital with the Small Pox is now perfectly clear of the Distemper he was permitted to let him depart the Island —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 28th. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Sturgis, Edwards, Tilden, Little, Howard,

The Town Clerk directed to draw out new Orders for Engine Men of the twelve Engines belonging to the Town — agreable to their application to Selectmen

5. o Clock; This being a Meeting for the purpose — Matthew Clark who has applied for a License as an Auchtioneer untill the next term — was accordingly approved of & Licensed

The Proprietors of Boston Pier or Long Wharff in Boston having applied to the Selectmen for liberty to break up the Streets in said Town in order to lay Pipes for the purpose of conducting Fresh Water from some Spring in Water Street to the said Wharff — The Selectmen took the same into consideration & concieving it may be of advantage to the Interest [**197.**] of the Town in general in case of Fire — Voted, that the said Proprietors have liberty as they request to open the Streets, provided that previous to their undertaking it they enter into an agreement in writing so to conduct the opening as to be least obstructive to the business of the Town to put the Streets which they shall so open in good repair to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, & from time to time hereafter to make all repairs to the same which shall become necessary to be made in consequence of such opening — that the Pump or Pumps to be placed on said Wharffs shall at all times in the Day time be free for the use of all the Inhabitants of the Town improving Stores or labouring on the said Wharff — and further that if in any future period the Town or any of the Inhabitants thereof for the general benefit of the Town, shall think proper to place one or more Pumps in State Street they shall have the privilege of recieving Water from or through the said Pipes — and in case of repairs being needed as aforesaid, if the said Proprietors shall neglect to make them after ten Days notice thereof, the Selectmen may cause the same to be done, at the expence of the said Proprietors

On the application of Messrs: Scott & Storer for liberty to put up a Board sign on the back part of their Stores near the Market

Voted, that they have liberty to put up such Sign Board as they request; to be removed at the will of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 3^d 1797 — Present Messrs. Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Harris, Howard, Little,

Ordered that a Warrant be prepared for a Town Meeting on Thursday next 10. o'Clock A: M: for choice of Representatives &c. being 11t. May

Mr. Edwards & Capt. Howard a Commee to request Revd Mr. Eliot — to open the Meeting with Prayer.

[**198.**] Mr. Vile has liberty to open a Drain from his Ice House into the Common shore, conditioned that he have the Drain cover'd in the Night — that he makes good the Ground & restores the Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

Mr. Treasurer Clap proposes as his Bondsmen Nathaniel Hall Gentleman, James White Merct for his Bondsmen as Treasurer — the Selectmen approve of them & the Town Clerk directed to take the Bonds —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 10. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Harris, Sturgis, Howard, Little,

Thomas Carns applys for a License for Post chaise No. 47 — the former Driver, Bates is gone off with first License approved of —

On application of Mr. Cleaver Constable of the West Boston Watch that himself & Company may be reinstated as Watch men for the said Watch — they were accordingly reinstated.

Drawn out of the Box as Grand Jurors for the Circuit Court,

Mess: Joseph Russell
Stephen Hall
John Harskin — not posted in Jury Books, Grand Jurors not being excusable when chosen within three Years —

Mr. Thomas Spear Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, having Reported to us that Amos Paul that has had the Small Pox at said Hospital is clear of that Distemper, & has been so well smoked & cleansed with all his Clothing, as that he may leave the Island without danger to the Inhabitants — Mr. Spear was directed to permit him to depart accordingly —

Mr. Robert Payne appointed to deliver an Oration on the 4 of July next, (who declined) —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Edwards to acquaint him with his appointment —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 17. 1797 — Present Messrs: Little, Edwards, Howard, Sturgis, Harris,

[**199.**] Jacob Polly & Silas Ramsdell are directed to take charge of the North Watch house as Watchmen untill further Orders

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 17 [1797] Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Little, Sturgis, Hancock —

(Form)

Boston May 1797 —

Sir

You are permitted to open the Ground across Marlborough Street to Milk Street, for the purpose of laying a Drain on Condi-

tion you replace the pavement & put the Street in good order, & hereafter make such repairs to the same as shall become necessary, in consequence of said opening —

Selectmen of Boston

I agre to the above Conditions —

see June 15 —

Mr. Edwards, Little & Howard a Committee to enquire into the necessity of repairing Fish Street, Middle Street & all Streets below the Bridges —

Messrs: Sever, Sturgis, Harris & Hancock to enquire into the necessity of repairing Streets from the State house Southward —

Mr. Edwards, Mr. Little & Capt. Howard a Commee to attend to the opening of the Waterways from back Street near Dr. Stillmans Meeting House into the Mill Pond

Mr. Shubael Bell & Mr. William Syms chosen Officers of Police — the Salaries assigned to them respectively is forty Dollars quarterly

David Lewis appointed to Collect Cow Money the present Year — for each Cow going at large 75 Cents. & Cows Pastur'd 37½ Cents —

[200.] Mr. Edwards, Mr. Sturgis & Mr. Harris a Committee to confer with the Committee for building a new Alms house — on the subject for preserving a House for an Hospital at New Boston —

Mr. Sever & Mr. Edwards, a Committee to request Mr. John Callender to deliver an Oration in commemoration of the Declaration of Independence on the 4 July next —

Last Lords Day, William Earl who came in Schooner Betsy from Baltimore Capt. Matthews Master, was sent to the Hospital at Rainsford Island as having the Small Pox.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 24. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Hancock, Austin, Harris,

Mr. Austin appointed to apply to the Committee relative to Building Alms house, relative to the Township granted by the General Court to the Town of Boston —

On the Petition of a number of Inhabitants bordering on Cow Lane so called, that it may have the Name of *High Street* given it by the Selectmen — The Petition is granted, & agreeable to the power vested in the Selectmen by the Town — the Name requested is accordingly given said Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 29. 1797 Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Hancock, Austin, Howard, Little, Harris,

Passed upon Accounts —

Samuel Sprague applies for liberty to open a Drain from his Cellar in into the Common shore

Mr. Little & Mr. Edwards a Committee to secure Blinds for the North School —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 3 1797 Present Messrs: Seaver, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, Austin Hancock

On information of the Small Pox being at the House of Dr. Moses Barker, Ship Street North end — Dr. Rand visited the House & Reported, that Mary Barker was much broke out with the [**201.**] Small Pox — the House much infected, & two Persons exposed to the disorder — whereupon —

Voted that Dr. Barker cause the said Mary & the two other Persons to be immediately removed to Hospital Island, at the expense of the said Dr. Barker — & that he cause his House to be thoroughly cleansed, to prevent a communication of the Distemper —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 7. 1797 — Present Mess: Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Tilden, Howard, Harris, Hancock, Little, Austin,

Mr. Edwards, Little & Austin a Commee. to consider & Report the best method for cleansing the Streets — Mr. Sturgis added

Mr. Hancock, Austin & Sturgis a Commee. to confer with the Abutters on Willsons Lane, relative to paving the same —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock, Austin,

A conference had with Mr. Wells one of the Commee. of General Court relative to a Bill now under consideration of said Court for preventing the spread of infectious distempers —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 12. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Little, Tilden, Sturgis, Harris, Howard, Hancock, Austin,

Ordered that a Warrant be prepared for calling a Meeting on Thursday 15 Inst 10. o Clock to consider a Petition for repealing a Law relative to securing the Town against damage by Fire —

Voted, that the Officers of Police be directed to attend to the due execution of the Law regulating Hackney Carriages, especially as far as relates to such Persons who drive without due License & have not their Carriages number'd on both sides according to the regulations

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 14. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Hancock, Sturgis, Harris, Howard,

[**202.**] Thomas Spear Keeper of Hospital Island having Reported that William Earl of Kennebunk who has had the Small Pox, is now recover'd & himself & Clothes so well cleansed that they may leave the Island without danger to the Inhabitants —

Liberty is accordingly granted — & Mr. Spear informed thereof in Writing —

The Hay weigher is directed not to weigh any Loads of Hay but such as are merchantable —

Mr. Edwards, Tilden & Harris a Commee. to order Repairs to the Latin School —

Mrs. Lowder is permitted to open Ground in order to drain her Cellar, on condition she replace the pavement & put the Street in good order, & hereafter make such repairs to the same as shall become necessary in consequence of said opening —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Hancock, Tilden, Edwards, Harris, Sturgis, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

The Town Treasurer is requested to call upon the Secretary of the Fire wards for the Towns part of Powder lately forfeited to the use of the Town — sent

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 28. 1797 Present Mess: Sever, Hancock, Tilden, Austin, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, Edwards,

The Town Clerk is directed to issue by Order of the Selectmen a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Tuesday the 4. of July next at Faneuil Hall 9. O Clock A: M: in commemoration of the Declaration of Independence being 4t. July 1776 —

(Memo. no Printed Notifications are to be distributed)

The Selectmen visited Deer Island last Wednesday accompanied by a number of their Fellow Townsmen — found the Island in good order; & had an agreable time —

[**203.**] Mr. Austin & Hancock a Committee to view & Report relative to repairs of New Street leading to West Boston Bridge —

Mr. Edwards, Little & Howard a Committee on the application of Mr. Quiner, to view where he purposes to Build an Oven —

Mr. William Sherburne has liberty to lay a Drain from his Distill house in Battery March — Conditioned that he make good the ground & restore the Pavement to the approbation of the Selectmen —

Agreed to have a Dinner on Fryday the 7t. of July next, as usual on the Day of the Visitation of the Schools — List of Persons invited on file —

The Selectmen have agreed to view the Buildings erecting in May Street — to Morrow 6 o.' Clock —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 1. 1797 Present Mess: Tilden, Hancock, Edwards, Austin, Sever, Sturgis, Howard,

Agreed upon a Notification, in hand Bills relative to cleansing the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 5. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Howard, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock, Harris, Austin,

M^r^. Sturgis, Little & Tilden a Comm^ee^. to settle with M^r^. Homer relative to the Tombs in new Burying Ground

M^r^. Austin, Hancock, Tilden Howard & Harris a Comm^ee^. on the Petition of Appleton Prentis & others, for laying Gravel on the new Street leading to West Boston Bridge —

On application — M^r^. Quiner is permitted to erect an Oven on his Land for the purpose of baking —

[**204.**] M^r^. Edwards, Major Hancock & M^r^. Little a Committee to repair May Street & examine whether there has not been incroachments

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 12. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Little, Sturgis, Edwards, Hancock, Tilden, Austin,

The Auchtioneers of the last Year apply for the approbation of the Selectmen for the present Year which commenced the 1st. Ins^t^. vizt. —

M^r^. Samuel Clap,
" Lewis Hoyt
" Thomas Kilbey Jones
" Joshua Eaton
" William Alline
" Samuel Bradford Esq.
" Benjamin Alline
" John W. Fulsome
" John Badger
" John Perkins
" Robert Gardner Esq.
" Matthew Clark in Comp^y^. with
" Daniel Bowen
" John W. Quincy

see other side — & October 25

5. o'Clock a Meeting is warned for the purpose of taking the above applications into consideration & acting thereon —

Agreed to an Assize on Bread at the rate of Flour at 9 Dollars p bll:

M^r^. Spear Keeper of the Hospital was directed to receive from on board Capt. Somerbys Vessell such Persons as have the Small Pox — the Selectmen of Newbury Port having engaged by a Letter of July 4^t^. placed on the Files — to defray any expence that may accrue

M^r^. Elisha Tour, Cooper, approved of as a Searcher & Packer of pickled Fish Pork & Beef — for the present Year —

M^r^. Hancock & Austin a Comm^e^. to view Beacon Hill & Report what Repairs may be necessary —

[**205.**] The Persons mentioned on the other side as applying for Auctioneer Licences, were all approved of as Auchtioneers for the Town of Boston — for present Year

ORDERED That the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at nine shillings & six Pence p Bushel & that twelve Pence p bushel be

allowed [to the Bakers] for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^{t}. —

			lb.	oz.	dr.
a 4^{d}.	Loaf of white Bread, - - - - - -	must weigh	1	1	10
8^{d}.	Ditto - - - - - - - - - - - -	d^{o}	2	3	4
4^{d}.	Brick Loaf - - - - - - - - - -	d^{o}	—	15	10
8^{d}.	Ditto - - - - - - - - - - - -	d^{o}	1	15	4
Biskets of 3 Copper price -	- - - - - -	d^{o}	—	8	13
4^{d}.	Loaf of brown Bread - - - - - -	d^{o}	1	8	2
4^{d}.	d^{o}. not above ½ Indian - - - - - -	d^{o}	2	—	—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Sturgis, Austin, Hancock, Tilden, Edwards, Harris, Howard, Little,

Nathaniel Spear, having applied as an Inspector of pickled Fish Beef Pork &^{c}. was approv'd of as an Inspector, being well recommended — & took the Oath of Office &^{c} —

M^{r}. Sever & Tilden a Comm^{ee}. on the Assessment of Drain or Common Shore repairs, in Milk Street —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 31. 1797 Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Sever, Harris, Howard, Hancock, Edwards, Little, Austin,

Passed upon Accounts —

At the last Meeting held the 26 Instant passed upon the old List of Inholders & Retailers of Spirituous Liquors & made return to the Justices of the Court of Sessions for the County of Suffolk as the Law directs —

Louis Williams Indentures signed by Selectmen & placed upon File of mix'd Paper —

M^{r}. Tilden, Sturgis & Little a Comm^{ee}. to repair Royal Exchange Lane —

M^{r}. Austin & Hancock a Comm^{ee}. to repair Pembertons Hill —

[**206.**] Voted, that the Committee appointed to consider the application of the Abutters in Federal Street for the paving said Street, be directed to proceed in paving the same provided they take special care that the Abutters cause the side Walls to be laid with Brick & Stone as has been lately done in State Street —

On the application of General Jackson Agent for the Building the Continental Frrigate in this Town, for the use of the Fire Engines for the purpose of Watering the said Frigate —

Voted that said Jackson have liberty to use two of the Engines under the Master of each respectively & the Fire Wards who have the care of said Engines at the North part of the Town, at the expence of said Jackson — he also to be under engagement to make good any damage that may happen to the same by using them as aforesaid —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 2^{d}. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Austin, Howard, Sturgis, Little,

Humphery Victory a Seaman on board M^{r}. Will. Smiths Ship

Capt. . from Philadelphia being taken with the Small Pox, was sent to the care of M^{r}. Spear Keeper of State Hospital at Rainsfords Island —

M^{r}. Spear Keeper of Hospital having reported that Samuel Pettingill who has had the Small Pox is now well, & so cleansed as that he may now leave Rainsford Island without danger of carrying any infection — Liberty was granted accordingly —

M^{r}. Richards & others Petition for Paving N^{o}. & East side Market Square, referred to Comm^{ee}. for selling Fish Stalls.

Passed upon the Petitions for Inholders & Retailers in this Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 9 [1797] — Present Messrs: Sever, Austin, Hancock, Sturgis, Harris, Edwards, Little, Howard,

On the application of the Committee of Arangement [**207.**] for the Dinner given in Honor of the President of the United States, for the use of Faneuil Hall for said purpose Liberty was accordingly granted —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to procure twelve badges for Chimney Sweeps —

M^{r}. Spear having Certified that Mark Currier of Newbury Port who has had the Small Pox at the Hospital at Rainsfords Island is now so free from infection as that he may leave the Island with safety to the Inhabitants — Liberty was accordingly granted for his departure —

Proposals for paving & furnishing Stones & Gravel folded up & put in the box —

Agreed to meet at 4. O Clock Thursday to agree upon a Visitation to Rainsfords Island &^{c} —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 10. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Harris, Howard, Hancock, Austin, Little,

A Visitation was agreed upon for Rainsfords Island, to be on Fryday next. being the 18^{t}. Ins^{t} —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 14. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock, Harris, Austin, Little,

On application of the Managers of the Dinner in honor of the President of the United States on Wednesday next, that the Bells may be rung on the entrance of the President into Town — the Selectmen will give direction to the Sextons accordingly — (the Orders were convey'd by M^{r}. Nazro to the Sextons —)

M^{r}. Sturgis & M^{r}. Little, a Committee to give directions for the clearing the Streets, previous to Wednesday next —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 23^{d}. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Sturgis, Harris, Howard, Hancock.

Mr. Spear of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island having Reported, that Humphry Vickery who has had the Small [208.] Pox, is now well & so free from infection as that he may be permitted to leave the Island with safety to the Inhabitants — Liberty was granted accordingly —

Voted, that the Committee appointed July 5 to repair May Street &c. to wit. Messrs: Hancock, Edwards & Little be authorized to empower Mr. William Tayler or any Person they may think proper, with necessary Assistants to survey lay out & designate the several Streets at West Boston beyond George Street & to the Southward & Eastward of Cambridge Street & to Report their doings thereon as soon as may be that the same may be laid before the Town for their approbation

gave Mr. Tayler

Capt. Howard & Mr. Little a Commee. to view a Chimney & Well in Lyn Street & to Report thereon —

The Selectmen visited Rainsfords Island Fryday last, accompanied by a number of their Fellow Townsmen the Weather & every circumstance proved agreable —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 28. 1797 Present Mess: Sever, Little, Edwards, Sturgis, Tilden, Howard, Hancock, Austin,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 30th. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, Tilden, Little, Hancock,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 4. 1797 — Present Messrs: Tilden, Sturgis, Austin, Edwards, Harris —

Six petit extra Jurors for S. J. C. were drawn and posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 7th. 1797 — Present Mess: Hancock, Austin, Harris, Seaver, Edwards, Howard,

Mr. Joseph Lovereign applys for leave to build a Tomb in the South Burying Ground, next to the Lower Gate, Westward —

Agreed

[209.] The Selectmen agree to meet in future at 3. O Clock P: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septr. 13th — 1797 Present Mess: Howard, Sever, Hancock, Austin, Tilden, Harris, Edwards,

Mr. John Jarvis applies to the Selectmen for liberty to lay a Drain from his House in Newbury Street into the Common Shore — Granted Condition'd as May 17. 1797. is expressed in these Minutes

The Indentures of Pollydore a Black Boy bound to Corne Durant, approved of & placed upon the File of mix'd Papers —

The Indenture of David Lyon a white Boy bound to Mr. Edward C. How approved of by the Selectmen & one of the said Indentures placed on the File of mixed Papers

Capt. Howard, Mr. Edwards & Mr. Harris a Committee to view the Ground where William Turner proposes to build a House, & Report whether a foundation can be found without very great expence

Mr. Edmunds appointed as Constable of the North Watch, his pay to commence the 15 Inst —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 20 [1797] — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Sturgis, Little, Austin,

Jeffry Richardson has liberty to build a Tomb in the So. Burying Ground next to Mr. Loverings opposite Frog Lane Conditioned as the other Grants for Tombs —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 25 [1797] Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock, Harris, Little, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemr. 27. 1797 — Present Messrs: Sever, Hancock, Tilden, Sturgis, Edwards, Harris, Little, Austin,

Passed upon other Accounts

Majr. Tilden to supply the several Schools with Wood — they to have nine Cord each, except the Latin School, which is six

Mr. John Spear appointed Constable of South Watch in the room of Mr. Tileston —

[**210.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octor. 4. 1797. Present Messrs. Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Harris, Sturgis,

Mr. William Sherburne has liberty, to build a Tomb in the North Burying Ground next to the last which has been erected, & conditioned, the same as were the other Grants —

Mr. Henderson proposes Thomas Parker Mercht. Enoch James Gentleman for his Bondsmen as Collector of Taxes for the present Year —

(approved) —

Mr. Jepson proposes Joseph Callender. Benjamin Sumner Junr — (approved of) —

Mr. Bayley proposes Henry Bass & Bayley — approved —

Upon application of Capt. Rufus Amory of the Boston Cavalry, for liberty to make use of the Common in training the Horse — Voted unanimously, that the request cannot be granted — as the Selectmen consider it, as injurious to the Common to be improved for such purposes —

Thomas Blaymons Indentures to Robert Gusbrou a Black approved by the Selectmen & placed upon the files —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 11. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Howard, Harris, Hancock —

Three extra Grand Jurors for Circuit Court were drawn out of the Box but not posted in Jury Books — 5 Petit Jurors were drawn & posted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 18. [1797] Present Messrs: Sever, Hancock, Howard, Tilden, Sturgis, Little. Austin, Edwards,

The Selectmen as a Board, have agreed to meet at M^{r}. Austins house Saturday next 3. O'Clock P: M: in order to view the Streets laid out at New Boston by M^{r}. Tayler —

On application by M^{r}. Codman, for liberty to build a Tomb in the South end Burying Ground — Liberty is granted accordingly by the Selectmen — on the same Condition of the [**211.**] Grants for the other Tombs —

David Hendricks is admitted as a Watchman in the South Watch, commencing the 9th Instant —

M^{r}. Benjamin Dearbon applies for license as an Auchtioneer for the Town of Boston —

approved, see below

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 21. 1797 Present Messrs: Harris, Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Sturgis, Austin, Howard,

The Board met at M^{r}. Austins House & proceeded to view the Streets laid out at New Boston by Mr. Tayler —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 23^{d} 1797 Present Mess: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Austin, Howard, Little,

M^{r}. Edwards, Little & Howard a Committee to give repairs to the North School house to enquire as to Rent due for Cellar and to rent out the Cellar for the most they can obtain —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 25. 1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock,

This being a Meeting warned for the purpose — M^{r}. Benjamin Dearbon, M^{r}. Timothy Wiggin & M^{r}. Appleton Prentice, are approved of as Auchtioneers for the Town of Boston in addition to those who were appointed the 12^{t}. of July last —

Joachim De Buck a French Boy bound to M^{r}. Jaquis Amblard with the approbation of the Selectmen & one of the Indentures placed on the file of mixt Papers —

Upon due enquiry M^{r}. David Mosely has been complained of to His Honour the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk as coming under an Act of the General Court passed the 10 March 1784. relative to Persons guilty of excessive drinking —

[**212.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 26.

1797 Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Sturgis, Howard, Austin, Hancock —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Austin a Committee relative to an incumbrance on the Towns Land, near M^{r}. Austins House

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen October 3^{d}. 1797. Present Mess: Tilden, Sever, Hancock, Sturgis,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen November 1. 1797 Present Mess: Edwards, Howard, Sever, Tilden, Harris,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^{r}.2^{d}. 1797. Present Mess: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Austin, Howard,

Had a conference with the Heirs of late Govern^{r}. Hancock relative to Land laid out for a Street on Beacon Hill —

On a Warrant from Judge Minot to enquire into the Circumstances of Elizabeth Dutten & Reported that she appear'd to the Selectmen uncapable of taking care for her self —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 8. 1797. Present Mess: Tilden, Sturgis, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Edwards, Howard, Little,

M^{r}. Edwards, Little & Howard a Committee to examine into the encroachments on Lynn Street —

Next Wednesday assigned for the consideration of the Report made by M^{r}. Tayler relative to the new Streets laid out by him at West Boston — (— New Assize at 9 Dollars p bbl :)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 15. 1797. Present Mess: Sturgis, Harris, Howard, Austin, Hancock,

M^{r}. Jedediah Holderken sent to Hospital Island, being Reported by M^{r}. Spear to be well cleansed from infection he is permitted to leave the Island —

[**213.**] It having been represented to the Selectmen by the Clerk of the Market that a M^{r}. William Read of the Town of Braintre had sold Butter in pound Lumps at near $\frac{1}{8}$.' of a pound short weight & the same having been proved to their satisfaction — therefore

Ordered, that the Clerk of the Market prevent said Read from occupying any Stall in said Market untill the further Orders of the Selectmen —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 22^{d}. 1797 Present Mess: Edwards, Little, Sturgis, Hancock, Austin,

M^{r}. Nathan Frazier applies for liberty to build a Tomb in the new Burying Ground on the range

Liberty is granted on the usual conditions —

Four Jurymen drawn as the Law directs for a District Court as petit Jurors & entred on Jury Books

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 27. 1797 Present Mess: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Hancock, Howard, Little, Austin,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^{r}. 29. 1797 Present Messrs: Sturgis, Edwards, Hancock, Howard, Sever, Harris, Austin,

Capt. Howard appointed to erect a temporary Rail Fence at the Draw Bridge the late Fire making it necessary

M^{r}. Sever & Edwards a Committee relative to an Engine house at South part of the Town —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Sturgis appointed to publish extracts from the Law relative to the security of the Town from Fire —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 6. 1797 — Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Sever, Hancock, Austin, Harris, Little,

M^{r}. Edward & M^{r}. Austin, a Committee to get the Acts of this State which are in loose folds, bound up together, & to procure such Acts which have passed & not to be found among the said loose folds —

[**214.**] M^{r}. Austin, Sturgis & M^{r}. Harris a Com^{ee}. to take up at large what respects Faneuil Hall Market, more especially as to Stands for Sales on the Square & the Streets near it —

M^{r}. Nathan Bacon applies for the hire of a peice of the Towns Land near the Rope Walks at bottom of the Common —

M^{r}. Edwards & M^{r}. Sever a Committee relative to the arangement security, & quickness of a removal in case of Fire of the Towns Books & Papers —

The Selectmen determine that there has been & now is a Road from the new State house running Westerly in front of House lately occupied by M^{r}. Sprigs, back of Governors Garden & that the obstruction should be removed — but that the removal be suspended untill March Meeting —

M^{r}. Edwards appointed to publish extracts from the Law relative to Cord Wood & Charcoal —

M^{r}. Little & M^{r}. Austin a Committee to publish a Letter from D^{r}. John Brickel relative to the bite of a Mad Dog —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 13. 1797 Present Mess: Sever, Tilden, Edwards, Sturgis, Harris, Hancock, Austin, Little,

The Committee appointed to consider & Report suitable regulations for Faneuil Hall Market — Reported in writing, which Report is put on the file of mix'd Papers —

M^{r}. Edward, Sever, Tilden a Comm^{ee}. to confer with the Proprietors of Wharff lately Woodwards —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 20. 1797. Present Mess: Tilden, Sturgis, Sever, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Little,

20 Jurymen for Court Common Pleas & Sessions drawn & entred in Jury Books

Deacon Thomas Bayley has liberty to [**215.**] build a Tomb in the S°. Burying Ground, on the range next Frog Lane — Conditioned as the other Grants

M^r^. Sever & Hancock to enquire who has taken Gravel from the Burying Ground —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r^. 27. 1797. Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Edwards, Little, Sturgis, Hancock, Austin,

Bonds given by James Welsh to bear harmless the Town from any expences he may ever occasion it — placed on the files of Bonds, but not to be recorded — a Return was made the Judge of Probates that the Selectmen had no objection to his Guardians being discharged —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 3^d^. 1798 Present Messrs: Sturgis, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Sever, Edwards, Little,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 10. 1798 — Present Messrs: Tilden, Hancock, Howard, Sturgis, Sever, Edwards, Austin,

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 17. 1798 — Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Hancock, Sturgis, Austin, Harris, Howard,

M^r^. William Williams applies in behalf of the Officers of the Militia, that they may have the use of Faneuil Hall one Evening in the week for the present season — Granted, provided it does not interfere, with any previous permissions —

M^r^. Tilden & M^r^. Sturgis a Committee to meet M^r^. Gridley & others on the subject of Lamps agreable to his application —

M^r^. Howard, Hancock & Harris a Committee on Petition of Capt. of Engine N°. 4. and likewise to examine State of Engine house N°. 6 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 19. 1798 — Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Sturgis, Austin, Harris,

Met in order to draw eight extra Jurors for C. C. Pleas, which are entred & posted in Jury Books —

[**216.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 24. 1798. Present Messrs: Tilden, Howard, Sever, Hancock, Sturgis, Edwards, Austin,

The Committee relative to Engines & Engine Houses of Engines N°. 4 & 6. "Reported — whereupon said Comm^ee^. are empower'd & directed, to give such Repairs & add to the Buildings as they may Judge best, as also to provide any Articles for the use of the Engines in the place of such as are damaged or in addition to what they now have, as to the Committee may appear wanting

Mr. Austin & Mr. Hancock a Committee relative to a new Street which a number of Inhabitants have subscribed for being laid out at the bottom of Beacon Hill — & to Report thereon —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 29. 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Sever, Hancock, Edwards, Harris, Sturgis, Austin, Howard, Little,

Passed upon Accounts —

Mr. Josiah Copeland has liberty to erect a Tomb in the North Burying Ground next to Mr. Shermans on Condition that he conform to the other Grants in all particulars,—

Mr. Harris & Mr. Austin a Committee to agree with some Person or Persons for winding up all the Town Clocks & other care of them —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jany. 31. 1798. Present Mess: Sever, Hancock, Sturgis, Howard, Edwards, Harris, Austin,

Passed upon other Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 7. 1798 — Present Mess: Tilden, Howard, Hancock, Sever, Edwards,

18 Grand Jurors for Supreme Judicial Court & 24 Petit Jurors. the Petit Jurors entred in Jury Book to be posted —

Mr. Sever, Tilden & Sturgis a Committee to remove the Buildings of the Town on the Lands sold to Colo. Jackson

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 14. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Hancock, Tilden, Austin, Sturgis, Harris,

[217.] The Selectmen approved the Engine Men for the several Engines in this Town, agreable to the Laws of this State, & their Names may be found in the Engine Books there recorded

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 21. 1798 Present Messrs: Sever, Hancock, Sturgis, Howard, Harris, Tilden, Austin,

12 extra petit Jurors were chosen for S. J. C. now sitting & entred & posted in Jury Books —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 26. 1798 Present Mess: Tilden, Hancock, Howard, Edwards, Harris, Sturgis, Austin,

Passed upon Accounts

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feby. 28. 1798 Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Hancock, Edwards, Austin, Sturgis, Little, Harris, Howard,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Legislature of this State having directed that one set of the Laws of the United States should be distributed to each Town in the Commonwealth — In conformity hereto William Little Esq.

one of the Representatives of this Town has this Day delivered the Selectmen one set of said Laws, which he has received from the Secretary of this Commonwealth — said Laws to remain in the Selectmens Room for the use of the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 2d. 1798 Present Messrs: Sever, Howard, Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Sturgis, Harris,

ORDERED that a Warrant be issued for March Meeting on the 12th. of March Inst. 9. OClock — A: M:

Revd. Mr. Belknap to be requested to open the Town Meeting with Prayer —

Mr. Sturgis & Majr. Tilden a Committee for that purpose —

Mr. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications,

[218]. Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7, 1798. Present Mess: Sever, Tilden, Howard, Little, Sturgis, Harris, Austin.

Mr. Edwards appointed to search & examine the Records & Evidences relative to the Old State House that the Towns interest may be assertained —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 14, [1798] Present Messrs. Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Austin, Howard.

No business transacted which is matter of Record.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 19 [1798] Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Howard, Austin, Sturgis, Harris.

Business done not matter of Record —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 21, 1798. Present Mess: Tilden, Howard, Austin, Hancock, Harris.

Agreed with Mr. Ames to clean repair & put in good order all the Town Arms at three Shillings p Arm.

Agreed with Mr. Bangs to make new scaberds for the Bayonets on each of the Arms & a button on each Scabberd for the sum of one Shilling p Scabberd.

Town Clerk to prepare Warrant for Town Meeting the first Monday of .April next being the 2d. Day of said April for choice of Governor &c —

Mr. Howard & Mr. Harris a Committee to wait on Revd. Mr. Baldwin and request his opening the Meeting with prayer —

Mr. Edes to have the printing of Notifications.

Mr. Edes has also the printing the Report of Commee. relative to Market —

[219.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 26 [1798] Present Messrs. Sever, Tilden, Howard, Hancock, Edwards, Austin, Harris,

Passed upon Accounts —

Mr. Collector Henderson having produced the several Treasurers

Receipts in full for Monies committed to him to collect for the Year 1796 — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver him up the Bonds he had given as Collector for said Year.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28th. — [1798] Present Mess: Hancock, Tilden, Edwards, Harris, Sever,

Passed upon other Accounts —

Richard Whellens Indenture with Peter Cornelius approved of & placed on the files of mix'd Papers

Mr. Sever & Mr. Hancock a Committee to order what is proper to be done to the Common & Mall as to placing Posts &c. &c. —

Mr. Tilden, Harris & Mr. Hancock to view So. Street & Essex Street & Report —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 30. 1798 Present Messrs: Sever, Tilden, Howard, Hancock, Austin, Harris,

Passed upon Accounts out of time —

Town Clerk to hand to the Town Treasurer the Draft for this Month the same having been examined by Mr. Harris —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 4. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Howard, Harris, Austin, Hancock,

Charles Casson bound Apprentice to Peter Richardson Novemr. 10. 1797, as p one set on the files of mix'd Papers

Mr. Thomas Spear keeper of Rainsfords Island Hospital was permitted last Saturday to suffer the Brigne. Ruby, Capt. Pearly with Small Pox from Newbury Port to depart from said Island, himself & Doctor Eustis having Reported it might be done with safety —

[**220.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 11. 1798. Present Mess: Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Howard, Hancock, Austin, Edwards, Sever,

Mess: Tilden, Harris & Hancock a Committee to inspect Purchase Street — and to order repairs to the same if they think it necessary —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 18. 1798 Present Mess: Sever, Tilden, Edwards, Howard, Austin, Hancock,

Deacon Tilden & Mr. Harris a Committee on the Street & Drain in Water Street —

This being the time appointed for the choice of an Officer of Police — after due consideration —

Voted, that the appointment of an Officer of Police, shall be untill the further order of the Selectmen — and that he shall have as pay for said service at the rate of Six hundred Dollars p. Annum — The Selectmen then unanimously made choice of Mr. James S. Lovell, for Officer of the Police — his service & pay to commence the first of May next — (Memo. Mr. Lovell furnished with an attested Copy of the above Vote)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25. 1798 Present Messrs. Edwards, Hancock, Tilden, Sever, Austin.

Stephenson & Boston Faddy, who have been employ'd in burying Negroes attended — & being heard after enquiry of M^{r}. Blaney — finding that Stephenson had behaved to his ——— was permitted to proceed agreable to former directions untill further Orders — & Boston forbid to bury any Corps without particular direction obtain'd therefor of the Selectmen —

On application of Assessors they are permitted to procure four Chairs for their Chamber —

M^{r}. Spear keeper of Hospital at Rainsfords Island [**221.**] having represented that William Colburn & Stephen Bladistill who have had the Small Pox are now well & cleansed in such manner as that they may depart with safety to the Inhabitants, — permission is accordingly granted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Hancock, Tilden, Little, Austin,

M^{r}. Collector Bayley having produced the several Treasurers Receits in full for Monies committed to him to collect for the Year 1796 — the Town Clerk is directed to deliver up to him the Bonds given as Collector of Taxes for that Year

M^{r}. Collector Jepson & M^{r}. Collector Thompson d^{o}. d^{o}.

M^{r}. Gilead Morse has liberty to open a Drain in Hanover Street from his Cellar to the Common Shore he engaging to put the Street in as good repair as before & hereafter make such further repairs to the same as shall become necessary in consequence of such opening — Liberty given on the 25 Ins^{t}.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 3^{d}. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock —

Ordered that the Officer of Police inform M^{r}. Nathan Bond that the Selectmen directs that he stop proceeding in erecting a Building at the bottom of the Common — the Selectmen do not *at present* order its removal, that M^{r}. Bond may have opportunity to apply to the Town for liberty to erect the same if he thinks proper —

Voted that on Tuesday next we come to the choice of an Orator for 4^{t}. July —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 8. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Howard, Hancock, Austin, Harris,

ORDERED that a Warrant be prepared for a Town Meeting on Tuesday next the 15 Ins^{t}. 10. O'Clock A: M: for a choice of Representative

M^{r}. Edwards & Capt. Howard — a Comm^{ee}. to wait on the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Parker & request his opening Town Meeting with Prayer

M^{r}. Edes to have printing of Notifications —

[**222.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 15.

1798. Present Messrs: Sever, Edwards, Harris, Howard, Austin, Hancock —

M^{r}. Elisha Sylvester, having been well recommended is permitted to open a School in this Town for the Instruction of Youth more especially the African Youth, in Reading Writing & Arithmetic —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 16. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Sherburne, Oliver,

Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Sherburne, a Committee to examine into the Circumstances of George Clark represented as a Person Non Compos, conformable to a Warr^{t}. from the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk —

General Knox has liberty to Erect a Tomb in the upper part of the new Burying Ground, condition'd as is usual in such grants —

James Eaton applys for a License as an Auchtioneer

Ordered, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at Eight Shillings & 6^{d} p Bushel and that twelve Pence p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t} —

		lb	oz.	dr
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh	- - - -	1	– 3	– 8
8^{d}. Ditto - - - - - ditto	- - - -	2	– 7	–
4^{d}. Brick Loaf - - - ditto	- - - -	1	– 1	– 8
8^{d}. Ditto - - - - - ditto	- - - -	2	– 5	–
Biskets of 3 Copper price ditto	- - - -		– 9	– 12
4^{d}. Loaf of brown Bread ditto	- - -	1	– 8	– 2
4^{d}. ditto not above ½ Indian d^{o}	- - - -	2	—	– —

M^{r}. Lovell is appointed to Collect the Cow Money

M^{r}. James Lovel appointed to measure Coal Baskets —

James Eaton approved of as an Auchtioneer

M^{r}. Tilden, Oliver & Porter a Committee to call on General Jackson relative to Hay Market —

[**223.**] M^{r}. Oliver appointed one of the standing Committee in room of M^{r}. Sever respecting fencing Common —

M^{r}. Austin & Harris appointed a Committee, to examine & enquire respecting the Repairs that are necessary to be given the Dyke on the Neck — and what measures should be taken relative to the Towns Land on the Neck — and to Report to the Board thereon —

Voted, that 150. hand Bills of the regulations adopted by the Town at May Meeting, for the regulation of Faneil Hall Market be struck off, to be posted about the Market & deliver'd the Market People for their information respecting the same —

Selectmen agree to meet at 4. OClock. P: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 22^{d} 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Porter, Sherburne, Hancock,

M^{rs}. Bowdoin has liberty to lay a Drain from her House in Kilbey Street into the Common Shore on the usual Conditions —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23d. 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Sherburne, Tileston, Edwards, Harris, Porter,

Mr. John Homer has liberty to erect a Tomb in the South burying Ground, on that part that borders on Frog Lane, he complying with the conditions of said Grants —

On application of the Truckmen for a Town Meeting in order to revise the By Law relative to Trucks, The Officer of the Police is to be informed, that in the opinion of the Selectmen — it will be best to suspend any further procedure relative to said order, untill the sense of the Town can be taken thereon —

Mr. Edwards, Sherburne & Austin a Committee to take up the matter of Regulations for the Market at large, and Report their opinion thereon, as soon as may be —

The whole Board a Committee to meet a Committee of the Aqueduct Corporation on Fort hill to Morrow 5. O Clock in the Afternoon —

[224.] Mr. Porter appointed one of the Committee, for the care of the Common, in the room of Mr. Oliver who has left the Board —

Josiah Quincy Esq. appointed by the Selectmen to deliver an Oration on the 4t. of July next, in commemoration of the Independance of the United States —

The Committee on the Dam on the Neck, Report that repairs are necessary & Mr. Austin & Mr. Harris are a Commee. to direct such repairs —

Messrs: Thomas Hichborn, Joseph Gleason, Jirah Holbrook Aaron May, William Cutter, are appointed measurers of Wood, agreable to a late law of this Commonwealth & a Vote of the Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen May 24. 1798. Present Messrs: Edwards Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Tileston, Porter,

The Selectmen met the Commee. of the Aqueduct Corporation, and agreed that they should continue to improve the Building they had erected at the bottom of the Common, agreable to a Vote of the Town at their late Meeting, untill the further orders of the Board — which is not to exceed by said Vote one Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 24. 1798 Present Messr: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Sherburne, Tileston, Harris, Hancock,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1. 1798. Present Messrs: Harris, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne, Tilden, Hancock, Austin,

Passed upon other Accompts —

Mr. Sherburne to direct & attend as to Pavement near Dr. Mountforths

The Pump at Mr. Carters School to be put in good repair by

Officer of Police — & the Well at North part of the Town near where the 74 Gun Ship was built to be curb'd

[225.] Mr. Lawrance is requested to procure 600 Poles from 5 to 7 Inches through to be fixed for the security of the Damn on the Neck at 20 Cents each —

Mr. Tileston added to Commee. for care of the Common & Burying Place & to direct as to the necessary repairs

Mr. Henry Perkins permitted to erect a TOMB in new Burying Ground — Condition'd as are the other Grants of Tombs —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 6. 1798. Present Messrs: Tilden, Austin, Edwards, Tileston, Harris, Sherburne, Hancock, Porter,

Mr. John Khun has liberty to lay a Drain from his House in Cambridge Street to the South side of the Bridge Conditioned that the Ground be made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

The Hay weigher is directed not to weigh any loads of Hay but such as are Merchantable —

Mr. Treasurer Clap is authorized & empowered to let the Shops on Market Square & the Land on each side the Neck for one Year — also the Bull Pasture —

Nathaniel Hall & James White approved of as Bondsmen for the Town Treasurer —

It is recommended to the Clerks of the Market to pursue the usual custom in weighing of Bread & Bisket —

The new forming light Infantry Company apply for the loan of the Fire Arms belonging to the Town — to drill the Company — the Selectmen do not consider themselves authorized to comply with their request —

Messrs: Jonathan Harris, George Makepeace & David West, have each of them liberty to Erect a TOMB, in the new Burying Ground, for themselves respectively — Conditioned as are the former Grants for the like purpose —

[226.] Messrs: Joseph Howard, Russell Sturgis & Edward Edes a Committee from the Fire Wards having in their behalf apply'd to the Selectmen, that an additional Engine may be provided for the use of the Town — Mr. Sherburne, Austin & Harris are appointed a Committee to confer with said Committee of Fire Wards, on the subject, & Report thereon to the Board —

Mr. Edwards & Tilden appointed a Committee respecting Mr. Eatons Lease

[227.] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 13th. [1798] Present Messrs: Tilden, Tileston, Edwards, Austin, Harris, Hancock, Porter,

Widow Ann Prentice has liberty to open a Drain from the House she lives in near Dr. Thatchers Church into the Common Shore, in order to clear the same — *Conditioned* that the Ground be made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

William Parsons has liberty to break Ground in order to carry a Drain from his House in Summer Street into the Common Shore —

Conditioned that the Ground be made good & the Pavement restored to the satisfaction of the Selectmen —

The License of Hack N°. 9. is not to be given out untill further order of Selectmen —

Mr. Lovel the Officer of Police is directed to inform the Owners of Hackney Carriages that unless their Licenses are taken out in the course of this Week they are to be prosecuted —

sent

The Officer of Police directed to inform the Owners of Fish Stalls in Market Square, that they must be removed on or before Tuesday next —

sent

Mr. Porter, Hancock & Tileston a Committee on Bennet Street —

Mr. Tilden appointed to recieve of Mr. Sever the Books Papers &c. relative to Mrs. Brookers Donation

The Selectmen determine that the Rent for Stalls in the Market Square are to be payable Weekly, & to be at the rate of half a Dollar p Week for such as have been at one Dollar p Month, and the others in the same proportion —

It is agreed that the following be the form for the Lease of Stalls in Market Square — Vizt.

[228.] We the Subscribers hereby severally promise & Agree to & with William Gooch of Boston as Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market in said Town in consideration that we are permitted by him, with the approbation of the Selectmen of said Town to use occupy & improve a Stall or Stand in Faneuil Hall Market Square numb'rd as against our Names respectively, to pay him or such Person as may by the Selectmen be hereafter appointed, Weekly & every Week the sum of —— so long as we shall respectively be permitted to occupy the same, & we do promise to observe the rules & regulations adopted for the Government of said Market, as we shall be from time to time be inform'd thereof by the Selectmen or the Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market for the time being — hereby acknowledging ourselves merely as Tenants at Will of the said Stalls respectively — (Memo. this is for the Country People)

An addition for the Inhabitants of the Town vizt —

And we do further promise not to expose to sale at our said Stalls & Stores respectively, any article except Beef, Pork, Mutton, Lamb & Veal

agreed

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 15, 1798. Present Messrs: Tilden, Tileston, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Porter,

Mr. Daniel Ingersol has liberty to break Ground from his House in Purchase Street. *Conditioned* that the Ground, &c. be restor'd & made good to the satisfaction of the Selectmen — in order to carry a Drain into the Common Shore —

Agreed to Visit Deer Island on Tuesday the 26t. of June Inst.—

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 20t. 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Edwards, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Harris,

[**229.**] The Officer of Police is directed to remove the seven Fish Boxes on or near Market Square & this immediately

On application of a number of Persons for paving Lyn Street — it is the opinion of the Selectmen that the Appropriation of the Town for paving will not admit of said Streets being paved the present Year —

On the Petition of William Lovering & others for paving South Bennet Street — Voted, that if the said Proprietors cause the same to be paved this Summer to the satisfaction of the Selectmen — one hundred Dollars will be allowed them towards defreying the charges thereof —

On the Application of the Aqueduct Corporation respecting the grant or lease of forty feet square of Land on Fort Hill for a Reservoir — Voted, that it is expedient to lease or grant the same on such conditions limitations & restrictions as may hereafter be agreed upon — & Mess: Edwards, Tilden & Harris are appointed a Committee to confer with said Corporation & to Report at the next Meeting on this subject —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June [25. 1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Porter, Tileston Harris, Hancock, Austin,

Having recieved a Warrant from the Judge of Probates for the County of Suffolk to enquire into the Circumstances of George Clark represented as Non Compos, & finding him to be as represented, made a return accordingly to said Judge of Probates —

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26 [1798] — Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Porter, Hancock, Tileston,

[**230.**] This Day Visited Deer Island accompanied by a number of the Citizens found the Island in good order and returned in season, having had an agreable Day —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27 [1798] — Present Messrs: Porter, Tileston, Tilden, Hancock, Austin, Edwards,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Town Clerk is directed to issue by Order of the Selectmen a Warrant for a Town Meeting on Wednesday the 4^{t}. of July next at Faneuil Hall 9. O Clock A: M. in commemoration of the Declaration of *Independence* on the 4^{t}. of July 1776 — when an Oration is to be delivered by M^{r}. Quincy —

ORDERED, that the Assize of Bread be set at Wheat at 8/6 p bushell, and that twelve pence p bushel be allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains and livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^{t} —

	lb	oz	dr
a 4^{d}. Loaf of white Bread must weigh - - - - - -	1 –	3 –	8
8^{d}. ditto - - - - - - - ditto - - - - - - - -	2 –	7 –	
4^{d}. Brick Loaf - - - - ditto - - - - - - - -	1 –	1 –	8

		lb	oz	dr
8d. ditto - - . - - - -	ditto - - - - - - - -	2 –	5 –	—
Biskets of 3 Copper price	ditto - - - - - - - -		– 9 –	12
4d. Loaf of Brown Bread	ditto - - - - - - - -	1 –	8 –	2
4d. ditto not above ½ Indian	ditto - - - - - - - -	2 –	– –	—

Agreed to have a Dinner on Fryday the 6t. of July next as has been usual on the Day of general Visitation of the Schools — List of Persons invited to be placed on file

It is agreed by the Selectmen to suspend for the present the rise lately Voted in the price of Stalls in Market Square, the holders of the same complying with the other regulations

The Selectmen have determined that three Cents be the allowance to the Measurers of Wood, for every [**231.**] Parcel by them measured either upon Wheels or Sleds & the same rate for every Cord of Wood measured on the Wharves or elsewhere —

(sent Mr. Hichborn —)

Mr. Hancock & Porter, a Committee for repairing Marlborough, Newbury, Orange & Washington Streets & likewise all Streets Westward to South End & Eastward from Liberty Tree so called —

Mr. Tilden & Tileston a Commc. to repair Streets to the Eastward of the Main Street Ward No. 10,

Mr. Edwards & Sherburne all the Streets below the Bridges —

Mr. Harris & Mr. Austin the Streets in the other parts of the Town

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 2d. [1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Tileston,

Mr. Nazro is directed to require four of the Constables to attend at the Town Meeting in the 4th. of July next

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 6. 1798. Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Harris, Porter, Tileston,

On Petition of William Tudor Esq & others for paving Willsons Lane so called — Mr. Edwards, Tilden & Tileston a Committee to confer with the Petitioners & make Report

Mr. Spear Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsford Island having Reported that Capt. Adams from Cape Ann with the Small Pox, has been so well cleansed as to be free from any Infection & may return to Cape Ann with safety to the Inhabitants — Liberty was accordingly granted —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 11 — 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Austin,

[**232.**] No business transacted that was matter of Record —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 17 — 1798 Present Mess: Tilden, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne, Austin, Hancock, Edwards, Harris —

The following Persons who were licensed as Auchtioneres the last Year, apply to be licensed for the present Year — vizt —

Samuel Clap —
Lewis Hoyt
Thomas Kilby Jones
Joshua Eaton —
Samuel Bradford Esquire
Benjamin Alline
John W. Fulsome
John Perkins
Capt. Robert Gardner
Matthew Clark — (deceased)
Daniel Bowen
Benjamin Dearbon —
Timothy Wiggin
Appleton Prentice James Eaton — (deceased)
see Sepr. 12th. & Octo^{r}. 10th. & 17th.

A Meeting is warned for the purpose of taking the above applications into consideration & acting thereon — at ½ past 4 : O Clock this Afternoon —

The above named Persons applying for Licences as Auchtioneers for the present Year, have been respectively approved of by the Selectmen —

M^{r}. William Hickling in behalf of himself & others have liberty to lay a Common Shore in Gibbs's Lane of about 500 feet extent — they conforming to the usual Conditions of such grants —

On application of the Quarter Master General for a piece of Ground belonging to the Town for a Gun House — the Committee for the Common vizt — M^{r}. Hancock, Porter, [**233.**] & Tileston, are appointed a Committee to confer with the Quarter Master on said matter —

Boston Ss : At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25. [1798] Present Mess : Sherburne, Tilden, Tileston, Porter, Austin, Hancock,

M^{r}. Porter a Committe to procure a Grate for the Water Course in Orange Street near M^{r}. Mays Pump —

Fryday 3. O'Clock P : M : Assigned for the consideration of applications for Licenses for the present Year —

M^{r}. Lovel is required to prosecute immediately all the Owners of Hacks who have not renewed their Licenses & that he Report to the Selectmen his proceedure thereon on Wednesday next — & likewise render an account of any Hack which appears without a number & who may be Owners of the same —

Voted that M^{r}. Gooch lay out a peice of Ground in the Market Square for the purpose of erecting 7 Stalls to begin ——

M^{r}. Makepeace has liberty to place a Gate near the Stone steps in Mill Creek —

[**234.**] Boston Ss : At a Meeting of the Selectmen : July 27 [1798] Present Mess : Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne,

Voted, that so much of Back Street as extends from Rev^{d}. D^{r}. Stillmans Meeting House to Prince Street be paved under the superintendence of Messrs. Edwards & Sherburne who are appointed a Comm^{ee}. for that purpose

On application to the Physicians of the Town for a conference relative to some appearances of a Disorder, which may be contagious —

D^{r}. Rand as President of the Medical Society attended the Board — & informed, that so far as his information extended he apprehended no danger of any infectious or contagious disorder in the Town, & that it was as healthy as generally it is at this season of the Year —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Sabbath Noon [July 29, 1798] Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Austin, Sherburne, Tileston,

At the request of the Selectmen that the Physicians of the Town would be pleased to attend & give their opinion & advice respecting the sickness at which the Inhabitants are much alarmed several of them attended accordingly & gave it as their opinion that the source principally at least of the disorder is in the Dock, near Faneuil Hall where are large quantities of putrid Fish & other matter — & advise as the best means of counteracting the pernicious effects resulting therefrom to cover the same with Lime — & that the Oyster Boats be removed as soon as may be —

D^{r}. Danforth by his Son who gave his & his own opinion — D^{r}. Rand, Warren, Kast, Welch, & Dench —

In consequence of the above the Officer of Police was directed to procure immediately a quantity [**235.**] of Lime & distribute the same as advised

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30 [1798] — Present Mess Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Austin, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne,

Passed upon Accounts —

M^{r}. Nye & other Neighbours in Dock Square have liberty to remove all the filth from the Drain & Streets adjoining the Market Square for one Month —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 1. [1798] A: M: Present Messrs: Edwards Tilden Harris Austin Tileston Sherburn

Met & conferred as to the burial of the late Col^{o}. Bradley —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 1. [1798] P: M: Present Messrs: Edwards, Hancock, Tileston, Sherburne, Porter Harris Tilden Austin

Passed upon Accounts —

James Burnham taken out of Capt. Riely from Connecticut & sent to Hospital at Rainsfords Island for which security is taken for charges of said Riley & James Manson — placed on file of Bonds — see Augt. 8 — taken up

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 2d. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards Tilden Austin, Hancock, Harris Porter Sherburne Tileston —

At the request of the Agents for building the new State house, to consider the expediency of altering the Street leading from Beacon-hill, round the back of said House — also to see what measures the Town will take with respect to selling their part of the old State-house

Same Day at another Meeting of the Selectmen at the back of Beacon-hill to take into view the propriety of purchasing of Capt. Thomas Dennie a peice of Land to be [**236.**] laid out for a public Street at West Boston which Land is to be appraised — and Colo. Dawes is appointed on the part of the Town for that purpose all the Money which is raised by Subscription is to be deducted from the Appraisement of said Land

sent Colo. Dawes
& a 2d. time

Voted, that the several Gentlemen Physicians of the Town be requested to furnish the Selectmen an account of any Persons who have died of the prevailing Fever & of all such as now appear to be infected with the same, together with their opinion whether the same increases

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 3d [1798]

The several Gentlemen Physicians, were requested to return Dayley to the Selectmen, any Person who may be seized with the present prevailing malignant Fever — & any who die of the same — (Memo. a Billet was sent to all the Physicians who did not attend)

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of Selectmen Augt. 4. 1798 —

The following Advertizement was agreed upon, & sent to the Printers — vizt —

Advertizement

The Selectmen having had a consultation with the Physicians of the Town find from their reports — that from the first appearance of the Fever vizt. from the 1t. of July, which has prov'd so mortal as to excite some alarm both in Town & Country — but 16 Persons have died with that disease — & but 10 Persons are now sick — that in all these cases the probability is, the infection was taken in or near the Town Dock — & in no instance has it appeared the Infection has been communicated from one Person to another — no Physician, Nurse or attendant on the Sick having as yet taken the Disorder; in other respects the Town is as healthy as it has been for several Years past. The Selectmen have taken & are taking every precaution to remove from those places all cause of infection —

By Order of Selectmen
William Cooper Town Clerk

[**237.**] NB. At the same consultation the Physicians gave their opinion that Lobsters & Oysters at this season of the Year &

untill the middle of September, are extremely pernicious to the health, & predisposes to putrid Disorders —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 5. 1798 — Present Messrs. Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Sherburne, Porter, Tileston,

Application made to Governor Sumner, that he would take Orders for the stopping of all Vessells from the West Indies & Spanish Main, in order for examination on Account of infectious Distempers in those parts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 8. 1798. Present Messrs: Tilden, Harris, Tileston, Austin, Sherburne, Hancock,

Capt. Riley having shown Receits for the expences of James Burnham a sick Lad sent from his Vessell to Rainsfords Island, from M^{r}. Spear & D^{r}. Eustis — the obligation for bearing harmless the Town, was delivered up to the said Riley —

Capt. John Thompson of Engine N°. 4. have liberty to use said Engine for the wetting the Streets in that Neighbourhood, Mess: Gredley & Nollen promising to pay all damage that may arise to said Engine in consequence thereof —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 15. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards Tilden Hancock Tileston, Sherburne, Harris, Austin, Porter,

Petition relative to Drain at bottom of State Street committed to M^{r}. Harris & Austin —

Voted, that the Physicians, have the following sent to them — vizt. —

The anxiety & renewed alarm of the Inhabitants at various reports circulated this Day respecting the Fever induces the Selectmen again to request of the Gentlemen Physicians to make return of any [**238.**] Patients they may now have sick of the same, as also of all such as have died since their last return. The Selectmen do not wish the Gentlemen to trouble themselves again to give their Personal attendance, a Report in writing will be sufficient, unless any of them have any particular opinion or advice which they would wish to communicate, in which case they would be happy to hear them for this purpose — the Selectmen will meet at the Selectmens Chamber of the old State-house to Morrow Afternoon 4. O. Clock

THOMAS EDWARDS Chairman

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 16. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Sherburne, Tileston, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Porter,

M^{rs}. Scott widow of Joseph Scott applys for liberty to erect a Tomb in the new Burying Ground next to General Knoxes — Liberty accordingly granted Condition'd as are the other Grants for Tombs —

The following Advertisement was sent for the Mercury of to Morrow respecting the Fever — vizt. —

Since the last return from the Physicians. vizt. from the 3^{d}. Instant to this Day, there have died of the Fever twelve Persons — there are now sick seventeen, four of whom are convalescent —

By Order of the Selectmen

William Cooper Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 17. 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Harris, Austin, Edwards, Sherburne —

M^{r}. Bellamy his Wife & five Children living in a House back of the Long Wharff, were sent to the Hospital at Rainsfords Island — & M^{r}. Elisha Eaton of Portsmouth sent from the same House, the Expenses of the latter to be defray'd by himself —

[**239.**] M^{r}. Spear the Keeper of the Hospital at said Island, was directed to receive those Persons accordingly

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 22, 1798 — Present Messrs: Tilden, Harris, Austin, Porter, Tileston, Edwards,

Passed upon applications for Licensed Persons & return made to the Clerk of Sessions — as on file —

M^{r}. Peirpoint & others who had liberty to erect seven Stalls on Market Square — the Grants were on the express stipulation, that no one of these Buildings should be inclosed — It appearing that M^{r}. Peirpoint was deviating from said Agreement — he was forbid enclosing any one of the Stalls, by the Selectmen —

Advertizem^{t} —

The Selectmen have received from the Medical Society the following recommendations made at a Meeting on the 20th Ins^{t} — accompanied with a Report, wherein they state; that only *twelve Persons* were then sick with the prevailing Fever —

By Order of the Selectmen

William Cooper Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 24 [1798] — Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Harris, Tileston. Sherburne,

This Day Edward Johnson from Capt. Evens Ship was sent to Rainsfords Island — another from named McKay also sent down —

A Sukey Howard belonging to Ipswich, was this Day also sent to Hospital at the Island —

M^{r}. Lovel is directed to improve as many Carts as he Judges proper for the more speedy removing of the Dirt of the Streets — & that he notify the Inhabitants accordingly — Advertisement

[**240.**] *Official* —

The alarm of the Inhabitants at the mortal effects of the Fever in this Town, has been such as to lead to a suspicion that every Person diseased in the slightest manner, if confined to the House is seized with the Fever: Indeed the caution of many has been such as to induce a speedy Funeral of several who died of other Disorders — These circumstances the Selectmen are concerned to observe, have in some instances caused doubts to be entertained

of the accuracy of the official reports which have been published — To those who know the character & reputation of the Physicians of this Town, nothing need be said — Our Country Brethren may firmly rely on the Reports officially made through the Selectmen — notwithstanding this is their opinion, yet if possible to remove all doubts, the Selectmen in addition to the Report of the Physicians, have called for returns from the Sextons of the burials, and find that they perfectly accord with the Reports of the Physicians. The number who have died since the 16 Ins^{t}. to this Day the 24^{t} *Nine* — now sick *twenty three.* nine of whom are on the recovery —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER. Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 27^{t} [1798] — Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Tileston, Porter, Harris,
Passed upon Accounts

The Fever.

Since the last return on the 24 Ins^{t}. to this Day the 27^{t}
18 have been taken sick
8 have died
seven recovered
26 now remain sick — 11 of whom are on the recovery —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt 29 [1798] Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne, Hancock, Harris,
Passed upon other Accompts
M^{r}. James Gridley has leave to erect a Tomb in the new Burying Ground next Harris, West & Makepeace he complying with the usual condition of such Grants

[241.] *The Fever.*

The whole number now sick including those on the recovery — thirty[32] two & two Persons only have died thereof since the last return — on the 27^{t}. Ins^{t} —

By Order of Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Augt. 31. [1798] — Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Tileston, Sherburne,
From accurate returns from the Physicians it appears that there are now only *nineteen* Persons sick of the Fever, *ten* of whom are on the recovery — *three* only have died since the last Report on the 29^{t}. Ins^{t} —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER. Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen September 3 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Harris, Porter, Sherburne, Tileston,

The Fever

The whole number now sick - - - - - - - - - - - - 25 —
Of whom are on the recovery - - - - - - - - - - - - 14 —
died since last return the 31st. Ultimo - - - - - - - - 5 —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk —

On the request of William Mckeen & others — The Subscribers to said request have liberty to open the said Common Shore or Drain on the usual condition of having it done as speedily as may be, and putting the Street in as good repair as it now is. —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 5– 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Tileston, Sherburne, Porter, Edwards, Hancock, Harris,

The Fever

The whole number now sick - - - - - - - - - - - - - 20
Of whom are on the recovery - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Died since the return the 3^{d}. Ins^{t}. - - - - - - - - - 3

Major Tilden, added to the Committee on the Marsh & Dyke on the Neck —

[**242.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 7. 1798. Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Tileston, Porter,

The Fever

The whole number now sick, - - - - - - - - - - - - 27—
Of whom are on the recovery - - - - - - - - - - - - 12
Since last Return on 5th. Ins^{t}. have died - - - - - - None—

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^{r}. 10. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Sherburne, Harris,

The Fever

The whole number now sick - - - - - - - - - - - - - 29
Of whom are on the recovery - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1
have died since the last Return 7^{t}. Ins^{t}. - - - - - - - - 5

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

On the Petition of Timothy Newell Esq & others for paving part of Bowdoin Square — M^{r}. Harris & M^{r}. Austin appointed a Committee to view the Street & Report thereon to the Board —

On late Accounts from the Southward — Voted, that the Chairman of the Board write a Letter to the Governour requesting that Orders may be immediately issued to the Captain of the Castle for stopping all Vessels arriving from the Ports of Philadelphia, New

York, New London & New Port inclusively, untill it can be ascertained, whether it will be safe to grant them admission to this Town —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 12. 1798 Present Messrs Tilden, Sherburne, Tileston, Austin, Porter, Harris, Edwards, Hancock,

Meeting warned for considering the applications for appointment of John Badger, & John B. Green as Auchtioneers — 5 OClock —

The Fever.

Since the last return on the 10th Ins^{t}. four have recoverd three have died & five new Cases have occurr'd — 27 now remain Sick 10 of whom are on the recovery

By Order Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

[**243.**] Representation having been made to the Board of Selectmen that in a House on the Wharff called Wentworths Wharff at the Northerly part of Boston a large number of Persons reside there in a state of poverty & wretchedness & sickness — that upon enquiry into the matter they find the facts true, but it not falling within the controul of the Board they submit the same to the consideration of the Board of Overseers for their immediate attention —

M^{r}. Harris & M^{r}. Austin appointed a Comm^{ee}. to enquire into a Nusance at West Boston — require a removal thereof immediately or a prosecution to take place —

M^{r}. John Badger & M^{r}. John B. Green appointed Auchtioneers for the Town of Boston —

see October 12

It is agreed to meet next Fryday Afternoon at 3. O'Clock —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 14. 1798. Present Messrs: Edwards, Hancock, Porter, Sherburne, Tileston, Tilden, Harris, Austin,

At the last Meeting Voted that the Comm^{ee}. on Bowdoin Square are authorized to pave the same provided the Abuttors pave the sides of the way in the usual manner —

The Fever.

Since the return on the 12 Inst^{t}. eight have recovered, two have died, & sixteen new cases have occurred — thirty three now remain sick eighteen of whom are on the recovery —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 17- 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tileston, Porter & Sherburne.

Col^{o}. May has liberty to open a Drain from his House in Fore Street, on the usual terms —

[244.] *The Disease.*

Since the last return on the 14t. Inst. *thirteen* have recovered, *four* have died *nine* new cases have occurred, *twenty five* now remain sick, nine of whom are on the recovery

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septemb. 19. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Hancock, Austin, Porter, Tileston,

The Fever

Since the return of the 17. *six* have recovered *five* have died — *ten* new cases have occurred — *twenty five* now remain sick, nine of whom are on the recovery

By Order of Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 21 — Present Messrs: Tileston, Hancock, Austin, Sherburne,

THE FEVER

By the return of the Phisicians since the 19 Inst. it appears that 5 have recoverd 4 have died 19 new Cases occurred 35 now sick, 10 of whom are on the recovery —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept. 24, 1798 Present Mess: Tilden, Hancock, Porter, Sherburne, Austin, Harris,

Passed upon Accounts —

Since the return on the 21t. Inst. 2 have recover'd - 56 new Cases have occurred — 80 now remain sick - 16 of whom are on the recovery

By order of Selectmen
JAMES S. LOVEL Inspr. Police

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 26. 1798. Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Tileston, Hancock, Sherburne, Austin, Porter,

Passed upon other Accounts —

The Fever

Since the return on the 24t. Instt. 20 have recovered 7 have died 44 new Cases have occurred ninety seven now remain sick. 20 of whom are on the recovery

By Order of Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

[245.] Samuel Fennos Acct. comitted to Mr. Hancock &c. to Report —

The Inspector of the Police is directed to Notify Mr. Solomon Hews or any Person under him that he must not occupy the House on Olivers Dock as a Fish Market untill further orders of

the Selectmen meaning the House that has been heretofore occupied by said Hews for that purpose —

M^r. Harris & M^r. Porter a Comm^e on Young & Mins Aco^t —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sepr. 28 [1798] Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Austin, Porter, Sherburne, Tileston,

Passed upon other Accounts

On the Representation of D^r. Eustis the attending Physician at Hospital Island, that it is necessary he should have an Assistant, to reside constantly at said Island — therfore

Voted, that he be authorized to employ D^r. Charles W. Winship who he has recomended, as such an Assistant — and that five Dollars p Day be allowed him for his compensation, including his board & all other expenses untill the further Order of the Board —

The Fever

Since the return on the 26 Ins^t. have recovered *26* — have died *5* — new cases *12* — now sick *72* — of whom are on the recovery *30* — the above returns from the Physicians have been particularly correct as all who have made returns except one have given in the Names of their Patients —

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk —

In order to give the most compleat satisfaction to the Public respecting the prevailing Fever, as to the numbers that are confined therewith — the Selectmen request of the Physicians of the Town to prepare them ready on every Monday, Wednesday & Fryday by 12. oClock at Noon an exact list of the names of the Persons sick of the Fever, how many have died since their last [**246.**] return, whom on the recovery & the new cases so that when the Inspector of Police calls for the same, no delay of time may take place either to the Physician or to the Inspector —

By Order of Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 1. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Harris, Austin, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter,

The Fever

Since the return on the 28^t. Ultimo have recovered.	27
have died -	8
New Cases -	24
whole number now sick - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	58
Of whom are on the recovery - - - - - - - - - - - -	20

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r. 3. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Sherburne, Porter, Tyleston, Austin,

The Fever

Since the last return on the 1t. Inst. from all the Physicians except one who declined making a return (not the one who heretofore declined returning the Names)

Persons have recovered	26 —
Have died	5 —
New Cases	2 —
whole Number now sick	27 —
Of whom are on the recovery	11 —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER. Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 5. [1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Austin, Porter, Sherburne, Harris,

The Fever —

Since the last return on the 3 Inst.

have recovered	8 —
have died	5 —
New Cases	7 —
whole number now sick	26
of whom are on the recovery	10

By Order of Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

[**247.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octobr. 8 [1798.] Present Messrs: Edwards, Austin, Harris, Hancock, Sherburne, Porter, Tilden, Tileston —

THE FEVER

Since the return on the 5t. Inst. —

have recovered	13 —
have died	3 —
New Cases	8 —
whole number now sick	18 —
Of whom are on the recovery	3 —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER. Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 10. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Porter, Sherburne, Tileston, Austin,

THE FEVER

Since the last return on the 8t. Inst. —

have recovered	5 —
have died	1 —
New Cases	NONE
Now sick	12 —
Of whom are on the recovery	5 —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

A Meeting having been warned for the purpose this Afternoon on the application of William Eustis for a License as an Auchtioneer —

The said William Eustis was according appointed an Auchtioneer for the Town of Boston in the room of his late Partner Matthew Clark lately deceased — see July 11t.
see October 17 —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 12. 1798
Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Tileston, Sherburne,

THE FEVER.

The Selectmen having minutely attended to the Reports of the several Physicians & furnished the Public with the returns as deliver'd to them from time to time — have now the pleasure to announce to their Fellow Citizens & the public in general that agreable to the opinion of the Physicians, the late Epidemic has so far subsided, as to render it perfectly [248.] safe for the Inhabitants to return & can assure their Country Brethren that they may frequent the Town in the prosecution of their business with the utmost security —

By Order of the Selectmen
WILLIAM COOPER, Town Clerk

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 17– 1798
Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Harris, Austin, Hancock, Tileston, Sherburne,

On application of several Persons to be appointed Auchtioneers — A special Meeting for that purpose is warned at 4. OClock

4. O'Clock. P: M: On the application of Mr. Thomas Fisher — & Mr. Benjamin Wiggin — they are appointed Auchtioneers for this Town the present Year —

see Octor. 10

Mr. Williams & Compy. request of the Selectmen a permission to sell Fish —

Mr. Sherburne a Committee to order the Sexton who has the care of the North Burying Ground, to keep the Gates constantly locked — except when absolutely necessary for the purpose of a Buryal — as also, to see that the place for impounding Cattle at the North part of the Town, be repair'd —

On the application of Mr. Hews & a great number of Inhabitants — Voted, that said Hews be permitted to open his Fish Market at Olivers Dock on the 1st. of Novemr. next untill further Orders of the Board —

Ordered, that no Person be permitted to use the Pump, kept at Faneuil Hall House, without leave from the Board in writing — and Mr. Gooch & Mr. Nazro are to act accordingly

Voted, that Messrs: Tileston & Porter be a Committee to repair to Beacon Hill to view the Steps on the North side, & to do what they think proper, for securing the Hill & repairing the Steps

[**249.**] Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 19 [1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Harris, Hancock, Tileston, Sherburne, Austin,

Voted, that untill otherwise determined, the Selectmen at their future Meetings do attend at the Old Senate Chamber in the Town house & that all Papers & Books which they may have occasion for, be removed there from their Chamber in Faneuil Hall — and that M^{r}. Nazro have the care thereof —

Messrs: Samuel C. May — Abner Guild & John H. Wheeler, are approved of as Engine Men for Engine N°. 8 —

M^{r}. Hancock & Tileston a Comm^{ee}. to have the Wood house belonging to M^{r}. Webbs School, repair'd in such manner as they shall think proper —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^{r}. 24. 1798 Present Messrs: Tilden, Tileston, Sherburne, Porter, Edwards, Austin,

James Thompson proposes M^{r}. James Ivers & Isaiah Doane Esq. for his Bondsmen as Collector of Taxes — and they were approved of —

M^{r}. Willington applies for the use of the Stall leased to M^{r}. Winship, as it is unimproved —

M^{r}. Winningburg applies & has liberty to run a drain from his House into the Common Shore on the usual Conditions —

M^{r}. Harris & M^{r}. Austin a Comm^{ee}. to repair Dam on the Neck —

M^{r}. Edward Tuckerman has liberty to build a Tomb in the new Burial Ground — on the usual Conditions —

M^{r}. Caleb Hopkins & Will: Porter, have also liberty to erect one Tomb in the New Burial Ground Conditioned as the other grants —

The ringing old South Bell at 8. O Clock Morn^{g} is suspended from the last of this Month to further orders

sent

[**250.**] M^{r}. Tilden, Sherburne & M^{r}. Tyleston a Committee to view Beach & Wall in Ferry Street & report what they may Judge necessary

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octr. 25 [1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Porter, Sherburne, Tileston, Harris, Austin, Hancock,

Warrant issued for a Town Meeting for the choice of one Representative for Congress for the 1st Middle District & for a Meeting for other purposes, at the same time & place —

M^{r}. Edes to have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting —

Messrs: Edwards & Sherburne a Comm^{ee}. to wait upon D^{r}. Walter & to request his opening the ensuing Meeting with Prayer

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 29 [1798]

Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Sherburne, Porter, Tileston, Austin,

Sir

The Selectmen considering the causes of the stopping Vessells at the Castle having ceased, therefore Voted, that the Commander of the Castle be requested to suspend the stopping of Vessels coming into Town untill further notice —

THOMAS EDWARDS Chairman

To
The Commanding Officer
at Castle Island

Passed upon Accounts —

M^{r}. Foster has liberty to put the Bulls in keeping not to exceed three Shillings p Week —

M^{r}. Nazro is directed to let the Sextons know that it is the Orders of the Selectmen, to ring the several Bells in Town from 7. to 8. O Clock A.M in Honor of the Presidents Birth Day — this order was unanimous —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 31st. 1798 Present Messrs: Tileston, Hancock, Tilden, Porter, Edwards, Austin,

[**251.**] Passed upon Accounts —

Benjamin Owen being well recommended is appointed a Packer & Searcher of pickled Fish Pork & Beef for the Town of Boston — & an Oath of Office given him by the Town Clerk

Adjourned to Fryday next. 11. O'Clock A: M:

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 2^{d}. 1798. Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Austin, Harris, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter,

Passed upon Accounts —

The Selectmen on the appointment of M^{r}. James Smith Lovell as Inspector of Police of this Town Voted him in full of his services the Sum of 600 Dollars p Annum, but in consideration of the very extraordinary Duties & expences he has been obliged to incur in consequence of the late sickness & will probably incur untill his Year is expired — The Selectmen agree to Vote & do accordingly Vote, that the present Year *only* he be allowed at the rate of twelve hundred Dollars p Annum — and having heretofore granted him 650 Dollars in part thereof it is Voted that he now be granted 250 Dollars more towards the said 1200 Dollars —

see Novem^{r}. 30. for a repeal of this Vote

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 7 [1798] Present Mess: Edwards, Hancock, Austin, Tileston, Sherburne,

M^{r}. Edwards a Comm^{e}. relative to Winships Stall at Market —

M^{r}. Timothy Brown being well recommended is appointed a Packer & Searcher of Barrel pickled Fish-Pork & Beef —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 14 — 1798 Present Messrs: Tileston, Porter, Sherburne, Hancock, Tilden, Austin, Edwards,

Mr. Tileston requested to procure a Lock for the Door of the Old Senate Chamber —

Mr. Hancock to procure Green Cloth for the Selectmens Table —

[252.] Mr. Edwards to make enquiry & Report by whom the Well by Pembertons Hill is to be kept in repair —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 21. 1798 Present Messrs: Edwards, Hancock, Harris, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter, Austin, Tilden —

Voted unanimously that Mr. Willington have the use of the Stall lately improved by Mr. Winship untill the further directions of the Selectmen —

sent

Mr. Edwards, Sherburne & Harris a Commee. to get printed & dispers'd the Report of the Committee relative to Dock & other Nusances.

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 23d. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Hancock, Sherburne, Porter, Tileston, Harris —

Voted, that permission be given to the new Artillery Compy. to erect a suitable Building for a Gun House of 60 feet by 21. on the Land laid out for a High Way intersecting Cops Hill from Prince Street to Charter Street on any part of said Land between Charter Street & the Corner of the Burying Ground. Upon this condition that when ever it shall be inconvenient to the Town or the Proprietors of Land abutting on said Street to permit the said Building any longer to remain on said Land it be forthwith removed —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 26 1798. Present Messrs: Hancock, Tileston, Porter, Austin, Sherburne, Edwards,

Passed upon Accounts —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novr. 28. 1798 Present Messrs: Sherburne, Tileston, Tilden, Hancock, Porter, Austin,

Passed upon other Accouuts —

Thomas Farrington Esq appointed Sealer of Wood at the South part of the Town — Memo. Sworn into Office by Town Clerk —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novemr. 30. [1798] Present Messrs: Sherburne, Tilden, Tileston, Edwards, Porter, Austin, Harris, Hancock,

[253.] Passed upon other Accounts —

Whereas the Selectmen on the 2d. of Novemr. Instt. did Vote that $600 — should be added to the Salary of James Lovel Inspector of the Police in consideration of his extra services & *expenses* during the time of the lately prevailing sickness, & whereas he has since adduced to the Selectmen an account of his actual *Expenses*

for six months from his appointment which exceeds the said additional grant — Voted that the said Vote be reconsidered & that $300 Dollars be allowed him for his extra personal services during said sickness & that his account of actual expenses be considered as other Accounts brought against the Town, & that all monies by him heretofore recieved be considered as recieved on account —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 5^{t}. 1798. Present Mess: Tilden, Hancock, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter, Austin,

Thomas Clark applies to be appointed an Auchtioneer

Meeting warned for the purpose at 5. o Clock

At said Meeting M^{r}. Thomas Clark was appointed an Auchtioneer according to his above application —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r} 12. [1798] Present Messrs: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter, Austin,

M^{r}. Jepson proposes his last Years Bondsmen as Collector of Taxes, for the present Year

approved

M^{r}. Henderson proposes his last Years Bondsmen for the present —

approved

The Inspector of Police is directed to put all the Lamps into immediate repair & to call upon Mr Little & all Persons who may have Lamps or any of their materials that they may be immediately restored —

sent

Voted that the one that shall be appointed Super-Intendent of the Lamps & purchasing the Oil shall be allowed in full for said services Sixty Pounds

[**254.**] Voted that Joseph Howard be Superintendent of the Lamps & lighting the same & purchasing the Oil & agreeing for suitable Persons to light the Lamps —

M^{r}. Bayley proposes as Collector of Taxes his last Years Bondsmen who are approved of

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^{r}. [1798] Present Mess: Tilden, Hancock, Sherburne, Tileston, Porter, Harris,

M^{r}. Thompson proposes M^{r}. Isaiah Doane & M^{r}. Eben Parsons as his Bondsmen who are approved —

The Bonds of the respective Collectors of Taxes were laid before the Selectmen & met their approbation —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 21. 1798. Present Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Sherburne, Tileston.

20 Petit Jurors for Court of Sessions drawn

On Application of John W: Quincy, a Meet^{g}. called for 26th. 4. Clock

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decr. 26. 1798 Present Mess: Tilden, Austin, Hancock, Porter, Harris, Tileston,

M^{r}. Payson approved as an Inholder
M^{r}. Plumbeck approv'd as a Retailer
Messrs. Edwards, Tilden & Tileston a Comm^{ee}. to confer with the Owners & Abuttors of Olivers Dock & to Report to the Board what measures may be proper to Adopt to fill up the same agreeable to the Vote of the Town passed Decr. 5. 1798 —

sent

M^{r}. John W. Quincy appointed an Auchtioneer —

Boston Ss: At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^{r}. 31. 1798 Present Mess: Edwards, Tilden, Hancock, Tileston, Porter, Austin, Harris
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